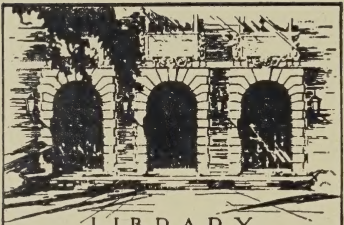

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M.W. BRO. CHAS. E. COLE
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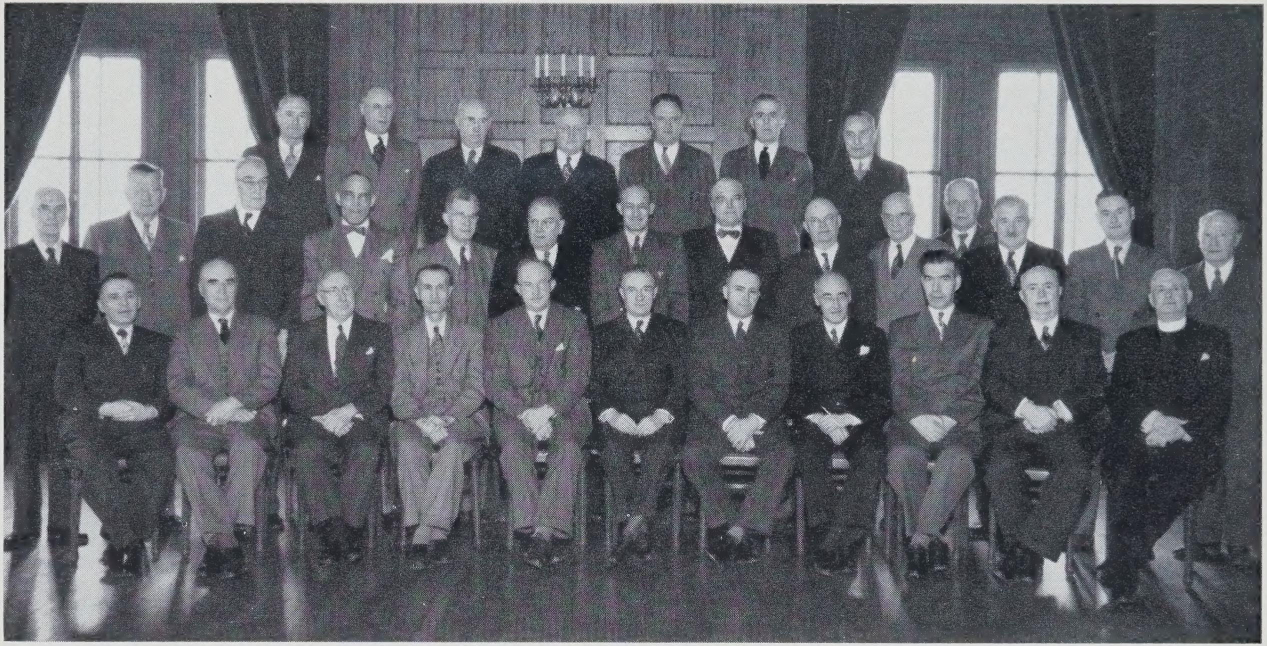

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ADDRESS BY BRO. REV. J. BURTON THOMAS, RECTOR OF ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, WINNIPEG, GIVEN AT THE REDEDICATION SERVICE, CELEBRATING THE 75th ANNIVERSARY OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA, A.F. & A.M. HELD IN THE CIVIC AUDITORIUM, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29th, 1950

Back in 1875, most of you know, three Masonic Lodges, Prince Rupert's, Lisgar and Ancient Landmark, numbering less than 200 Masons in all, came together to form the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons. As the Grand Master has already told you, quoting Joseph Fort Newton concerning that small company, those Masonic pioneers in Manitoba, "they were prophetic souls; they believed in the future, in the growth of large things from small beginnings and in the Principles of Masonry as the true foundation of society and the fortress of a free world."

Today as we celebrate in this inspiring Service of the 75th Anniversary of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, I stand before you a juvenile in the Craft, and I make bold to impress upon you as I impress upon myself the sweeping significance, for our time, of the most important of all Masonic Principles—the Principle of Brotherhood, the true foundation of society and the fortress of a free world.

If that was the fate of the Masonic pioneers in Manitoba, then in the march of time they have been vindicated and the facts have truly outrun their fate, for it is easy, isn't it now, to pick out of the whole vocabulary of man the one word that expresses better than any other, the bright hope and agonizing desire of the world in 1950—that word is Brotherhood, the "Brotherhood of Man."

Within the Christian era of world history looking back Anno Domini, we can see clearly outlined two great ages come and gone; one great watershed of history has been crossed, the other we are crossing now. The first of course was the Renaissance and the Reformation which brought to a close the age which has been called the Age of Faith, inhabited by Theological Man, acknowledging the sovereignty of the Church in not this world, but the next, as a supreme measure of human destiny. That waterhead of history not only brought to a close a great age, but ushered in a new age, the Age of Economic Man, culminating in the Industrial Revolution. The sovereignty of the national state, and man, the measure of all things, and not his mind or his soul or his character so much as his substance—the almighty dollar as the supreme measure of human destiny.

Today we are crossing the second great watershed of history, Anno Domini: today we are passing through a revolution which began with a thunderclap of war in 1914 and has not yet fully run its course, but I am convinced, Brethren, that it is a revolution which will determine the nature and destiny of Democracy and of Brotherhood for a thousand years to come. If you want a name for the great new day—the great new age upon the threshold of which we now stand—if you want to clarify your thinking with a label corresponding to those which have been pinned to the past and which we have superficially noted, the Age of Theological Man, the Age of Economic Man then choose for the age which is to come, the name which Julian Huxley gave it and call it The Age of Social Man, and the principle which underlies it, the emphasis which will belong to it are indicated by the already ubiquitous and dominating tendency called "collectivism." Brethren, today the free man, brotherhood-minded is the hope of the world. As Henry Luce once enunciated it in a great editorial. "every age or epoch in human history has its own inevitable idea—the ethos of the century." Well there needn't be any doubt now. After the Charters of the Atlantic and San Francisco, and the Marshall Plan and the Atlantic Pact and the Rooseveltian Freedoms, there needn't be any doubt now about the inevitable idea of our times. It is quite evidently the coming together of more and more people, within nations and between nations, in ever closer and more complex relationships. Don't you see, just as Nationalism and Imperalism were the driving motives of the 19th Century, so the 20th Century has witnessed the birthpangs of Internationalism. If you want it in a phrase, Wendell Wilkie's is as good as any—"One World" or Tennyson's "The Parliament of Man" or as Walter Lippman's great symposium put it, "One World or no World at all."

The issue is as clear cut and as urgent as that, for the world today is writing a new Declaration of Human Independence and it goes something like this: "We hold this truth now to be self-evident, that all men may be cremated equal, atoms to atoms and dust to dust." If the forces of disruption get us something's bound to bust. This is my thesis—Peace in the World, or the World in pieces! You see, the old isolationism and individualism rugged as it was, which characterized the life of Economic Man, is dead. The industrialization of modern life the modern technological advances, the scientific inventions and discoveries, the very factors which promoted the growth and the supremacy of Economic Man, have now executed his downfall, for they have woven a web, an inexplicable web, binding man to man, group to group and nation to nation. Never in all history has Brotherhood had quite such imperative meaning as now. Without it, we of the United Nations are nothing—sooner or later we fall apart; with it, we are everything, for we are ultimately all men everywhere.

And so, in our time Brotherhood has become both an existing fact and a far off goal. That's what we mean surely, if we mean anything at all worthwhile, when we talk about winning the war in Korea—"Brotherhood!" A war correspondent wrote back recently to tell us, that the war in Korea will be far from over when the last shot has been fired. The attitudes and actions, the practical politics adopted in Korea by the United Nations then, will win or lose the victory and the peace. In other words, victories won on battlefields in the kind of world in which we live are victories won now in vain unless, in international politics, in human relations everywhere, Brotherhood is exemplified and vindicated.

Korea can become a great Western window in the Far East, dressed to carry the gospel of Brotherhood to the teeming millions of Asia and it can be so, and will be so not only in Korea, but in Finland and Formosa and in all the outposts of the free world, only if and when we learn to pronounce the pronouns of Brotherhood, only as we learn to say "we" and "our" more emphatically and clearly than it has ever been said before. More and more of the free men and the free nations of the world must come together in ever closer and more complete association—Regional groups, yes, the Benelux countries, the Marshall Plan, the Atlantic Pact and the European Federation;—Western Union, why not? All steps, don't you see in a process which as it goes on eventually, logically and inevitably, will either overwhelm, or welcome and absorb the Soviet Union in its onward march to world community. The Lord said "Say we", and I hid my hands tight behind my back, shook my head and said stubbornly, "I". The Lord said "Say we", and I looked at them, grimy and all awry—myself in all those twisted shapes? Oh No! distastefully I turned my head away, persisting and said "They." The Lord said "Brother, say We" and I at last, richer by a hoard of years and tears looked in their eyes and found the heavy word that bent my neck and bowed my head like a shamed school boy and I muttered low "We, Lord."

"Give me liberty or give me death" may have been an adequate rallying cry for a bygone age, but in the age of Social Man we so often get both, we fought for liberty at terrific cost in World War One only to find that when the Captains and the Kings departed, and the dust of battle settled, then liberty had become licenced and

Democracy a farce. As the old Latin proverb puts it—"Corruptio optimi Pessima est"—"The best thing is the worst thing when the thing goes bad." Well, Democracy went bad between the Wars, bad with the poisons of a hangover from 19th Century individualism, isolationism and laissez faire. Today through blood, toil, tears and sweat, we have relearned an old, old lesson that in all the things that matter most, it is rarely if ever a question of "either—or" but of "both—and." And so the meaning of Democracy and the destiny of free men cannot be expressed any longer in terms of Liberty OR something else, but only in terms of Liberty AND something else. That something else is still the great question mark of our day.

For me, the answer is to be found precisely along these lines—Liberty was born a twin! Liberty and Loyalty! They were born together and alas for the man or the nation who tries to have one without the other. Let me illustrate—think for a minute of the great, prosperous democracy to the South of us—America. The colossus of the Western World, with a higher standard of living than is to be found anywhere else in the world; pouring out privileges and opportunities for her people and saying to them, you MAY—MAY do, think, speak, write, drink and enjoy in full, freedom of life and enterprise. Now think of the great new Soviet Union, the colossus of the Eastern World with unmatched power of natural resources and unnumbered millions of population, saying to her people—You are Russian, and Russia is Communist—you MUST-MUST obey, MUST think, speak, write, print, do and enjoy only that which serves the welfare of the Party and the State. Somehow I say Brethren, if we would avoid catastrophe then higher ground will have to be found for these two indispensable qualities, "You May" and "You Must"—Freedom, and Compulsion; and the only higher ground I can conceive is the Brotherhood of Man, under the Fatherhood of God, and we had better begin with ourselves, for liberty for us in the Western World, as liberty always will, alone, has produced a multitude of individuals each living, and having, and grabbing for what he can get out of it. And worse than that, classes of individuals, power groups, pressure groups, selfish economic interests, whether of Capital or Labor, organized not for what they can contribute to the life of a nation, but for what they can grab from it. Liberty, you see, stresses only one word out of three—"independence." My personal independence, my group's independence, my national independence But there are two other words—"interdependence," for the essence of Brotherhood is co-operation, and "dependence" upon the whole world's communal life and the laws of God, which underlie it And the claim of independence without the recognition of interdependence and dependence is the greatest illusion in the world and it can bring unimaginable disaster and ruin in our time.

If we don't want to accept the Soviet situation and the Soviet solution to the towering problems of the 20th Century, then I say we've got to learn, and learn quickly, that the price of democracy's defence against dictatorship is the price of democracy's preservation: freely given loyalty and sacrificial enterprise in the service of justice, fair play, brotherhood and care for the welfare of all. Either we will get that, achieve that, or we will bow to dictatorship in the end.

And finally, let us remember that this business of Brotherhood is not a mass movement despite all our emphasis upon the mass, the numbers, the crowds in the 20th Century. Far from it. On the contrary, Brotherhood is a movement of individuals, with all their idiosyncrasies and personal prejudices, dedicated to a common cause, and inspired by a common goal. And so it is, that the great task of every Freemason, as I see it, is to fit himself personally, mentally, morally, spiritually for Brotherhood. To find his welfare in the general good, to hold together, merging all Degrees in one wide Brotherhood. I like that story of the Hyde Park orator who was holding forth on the blessings and benefits of the Christian religion, and a burly fellow in the crowd was heckling him. Said this fellow "Christianity has been in the world for nearly two thousand years, and look at the state of the world today." Back came the quick-witted reply of the speaker, "Yes, my Brother, and water has been in the world for nearly two million years, and look at the state of your face today." Well, Brethren, Freemasonry has been in the world preaching and practicing the doctrine of Brotherhood for so long that its origins are buried in antiquity. It's up to you now, you, and you and you, each individual and each generation has a clear responsibility, not only to practice Brotherhood but to pass it on, untarnished and undimmed to those who come after.

From M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas' fine book, "Freemasonry in Manitoba" I quote the farewell words of the first Master of a Masonic Lodge in Manitoba. Said W. Bro. R. S. Patterson to the brethren of Prince Rupert's Lodge back in 1871—"It is the clear duty of every Mason, to plant tho' others gather, to sow that others may reap, to build that others may inhabit; to tinge the coming days with the bright rays of Masonic illumination so that generations yet unborn, the future inhabitants of these fertile prairies in Manitoba, will walk in the light of those good influences we have projected, and will be thus benefitted by our work."

This shining thing in the souls of Freemasons everywhere, this thing that lives and breathes close to the soul of man—this vision, this faith, this freedom, this Brotherhood Hitler or Hirohito could not attain, command or conquer. It is the great tradition of democracy, it is the future, it is victory. And we Masons, we Freemasons, we "men of earth" as Edwin Markham calls us, have here the stuff of Paradise. We have enough—"We need no other thing to build the stairs into the unfulfilled; no other ivory for the doors, no other marble for floors, no other cedar for the beam and dome of man's immortal dream—Ours,—Ours the stuff sublime to build Eternity in time."

SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

CEREMONY OF INSTITUTION OF STARBUCK LODGE, UNDER DISPENSATION

At the Village of Starbuck, in the Province of Manitoba, and within the School House there, the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons met at 8:15 o'clock in the evening of Wednesday, August 16th, 1950, pursuant to notice given, for the purpose of Instituting a new lodge to be known as "Starbuck Lodge," Most Worshipful Bro. Chas. E. Cole, Grand Master presiding.

Grand Lodge was constituted with the following officers in attendance:

Grand Master	M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole
Deputy Grand Master	R.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe
Senior Grand Warden	R.W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran
Junior Grand Warden	R.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray
Grand Secretary	M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington
G. D. of Ceremonies	R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat
Grand Chaplain	R.W. Bro. Canon F. Hughes
Senior Grand Deacon	V.W. Bro. L. G. Barnes
Junior Grand Deacon	V.W. Bro. G. R. Dewar
Senior Grand Steward	V.W. Bro. Hector Spence
Junior Grand Steward	V.W. Bro. R. A. S. Follett
Grand Pursuivant	V.W. Bro. S. D. Cruden
Grand Tyler	V.W. Bro. Thos. King

The following members of Grand Lodge were also present:

M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni
M.W. Bro. Sam. Burland
M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly
M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald
R.W. Bro. J. J. Bannerman
R.W. Bro. Dave Griffith
R.W. Bro. Dave Milliken
R.W. Bro. J. Reid Glenn
R.W. Bro. H. A. McLeod
R.W. Bro. John Norquay
R.W. Bro. J .D. Lloyd

The M.W. Grand Master stated the purpose for which the Grand Lodge had assembled and the Grand Secretary read the Dispensation of authority. The Grand Secretary then read the names of the brethren who had been selected to govern Starbuck Lodge, under Dispensation, who took their places before the Altar. The M.W. Grand Master then obligated them, invested them with the jewel of their respective Office and the Grand Director of Ceremonies conducted them to their various stations in the Lodge. The officers so obligated were:

Worshipful Master	W. Bro. Myrton Mills
Immediate Past Master	W. Bro. C. W. Livingston
Senior Warden	Bro. C. G. Daum
Junior Warden	Bro. H. W. Livingston
Treasurer	Bro. E. C. Wilcox
Secretary	Bro. W. L. Baldwin
Chaplain	Bro. F. A. Owens
Director of Ceremonies	Bro. S. E. Baldwin
Senior Deacon	Bro. C. S. Frantz
Junior Deacon	Bro. G. F. Macadam
Senior Steward	Bro. J. A. Stewart
Junior Steward	Bro. I. J. Velde
Inner Guard	Bro. R. L. Livingston
Tyler	Bro. G. J. Wrixon

The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Cole, addressed the gathering and in a few well chosen words placed the gavel of authority in the hands of the new Master.

Presentations were made as follows, and all of which articles were hand-made by the respective donors:

Altar and Stools	Bro. Mills and Wilcox
Candle Holders and Easel to display charts	Bro. C. G. Daum
Pedestals and Wands	Bro. G. F. Macadam
Wardens Columns	Bro. C. S. Frantz
Gavels and Posts	Bro. C. W. Livingston
Window Covers	Bro. H. W. Livingston

The following articles were also donated to Starbuck Lodge.

Volume of the Sacred Law	Strathcona Lodge No. 117
Officers' Jewels	Crescent Lodge No. 103
Working Tools	Assiniboine Lodge No. 7
Ashlars	Newdale Lodge No. 159

W. Bro. Mills thanked the M.W. Grand Master and his Officers for their presence. The Grand Master gave a suitable address, after which the Officers of Starbuck Lodge, U.D. closed the Lodge in the Master Mason, Fellow Craft and Entered Apprentice Degrees.

HARRY CODDINGTON,
Grand Secretary.

SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

CEREMONY OF INSTITUTION OF CHARLESWOOD LODGE, UNDER DISPENSATION

At the Municipality of Charleswood, in the Province of Manitoba and within the Roblin Park Community Hall there, the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons met at 8:00 o'clock in the evening, of Wednesday, September 20th, 1950, pursuant to notice given, for the purpose of Instituting a new lodge to be known as "Charleswood Lodge," Most Worshipful Bro. Chas. E. Cole, Grand Master presiding.

Grand Lodge was constituted with the following Officers in attendance:

Grand Master	M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole
Deputy Grand Master	R.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe
Senior Grand Warden (Acting)	M.W. Bro. Sam. Burland
Junior Grand Warden	R.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray
Grand Secretary (Acting)	M.W. Bro. W. C McDonald
Grand Chaplain (Acting)	R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett
Grand Director of Ceremonies	R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat
Senior Grand Deacon	V.W. Bro. L. G. Barnes
Junior Grand Deacon	V.W. Bro. G. R. Dewar
Grand Pursuivant (Acting)	W. Bro. A. E. Boyle
Grand Tyler	V.W. Bro. Thos. King

R.W. Bro. J. Reid Glenn, District Deputy Grand Master of the Twelfth Masonic District was also in attendance.

The M.W. Grand Master stated the purpose for which the Grand Lodge had assembled and M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald, Acting Grand Secretary read the Dispensation of authority. He then read the names of the brethren who had been elected to govern Charleswood Lodge under Dispensation, who took their places before the Altar. The M.W. Grand Master then obligated them, invested them with the jewel of their respective Office and the Grand Director of Ceremonies conducted them to their various stations in the Lodge. The Officers so obligated were:

Worship Master	W. Bro. W. H. Batchelor
Immediate Past Master	W. Bro. W. J. Eyers
Senior Warden	W. Bro. J. S. Reynolds
Junior Warden	W. Bro. F. W. Dugard
Treasurer	W. Bro. H. Chamberg
Secretary	Bro. A. G. Lawrence
Chaplain	Bro. G. J. Percy
Senior Deacon	Bro. C. F. Hayward
Junior Deacon	Bro. E. J. Watt
Director of Ceremonies	Bro. I. L. P. Wood
Senior Steward	Bro. J. S. Redfern
by proxy	Bro. F. Searle
Junior Steward	Bro. A. McCallum
Organist	Bro. J. Hislop
Inner Guard	Bro. J. Batchelor
by proxy	Bro. E. Chivers
Tyler	Bro. H. R. Sanderson

The Charge to the Master, Wardens and brethren of the Lodge was given by the M.W. Grand Master followed by Grand Honors.

The Grand Director of Ceremonies proclaimed the Lodge Instituted and its officers invested, followed by the Benediction.

The M.W. Master addressed the lodge with a message of congratulation, expressing great hopes for its success and tempering his remarks with words of caution to the officers and brethren in their Masonic conduct and the conduct of the business of the Lodge.

W. Bro. Batchelor made suitable reply and expressed the appreciation of the Lodge and brethren to other lodges and individual brethren for the contributions they had made in furnishing and establishing the lodge.

The M.W. Grand Master presented the Master with the Dispensation and the Gavel, after which the Grand Lodge Officers retired and the Officers of Charleswood Lodge U.D. closed the Lodge in the Master Mason, Fellow Craft and Entered Apprentice Degrees.

HARRY CODDINGTON,
Grand Secretary.

SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

Grand Lodge
# of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

CEREMONY OF INSTITUTION OF ASHLAR LODGE UNDER DISPENSATION

At the City of St. Boniface, in the Province of Manitoba and within the Norwood Masonic Temple there, the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons met at 8:00 o'clock in the evening of Friday, September 22nd, 1950, pursuant to the notice given, for purpose of Instituting a new lodge to be known as "Ashlar Lodge." Most Worshipful Bro. Chas. E. Cole, Grand Master, presiding.

Grand Lodge was constituted with the following Officers in attendance:

Grand Master	M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole
Deputy Grand Master	R.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe
Senior Grand Warden (Acting)	M.W. Bro. Sam. Burland
Junior Grand Warden	R.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray
Grand Secretary (Acting)	M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald
Grand Director of Ceremonies	R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat
Grand Chaplain (Acting)	R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett
Senior Grand Deacon	V.W. Bro. L. G. Barnes
Junior Grand Deacon	V.W. Bro. G. R. Dewar
Senior Grand Steward (Acting)	R.W. Bro. L. C. Welsh
Junior Grand Steward (Acting)	W. Bro. A. E. Boyle
Grand Pursuivant	V.W. Bro. S. D. Cruden
Grand Tyler	V.W. Bro. Thos. King

Also in attendance were the following brethren:

M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly
R.W. Bro. F. C. Davey
R.W. Bro. J. Reid Glenn

The M.W. Grand Master stated the purpose for which Grand Lodge had assembled, and requested the Acting

Grand Secretary to read the Dispensation of authority.

The list of Officers for the new Lodge under dispensation were announced as follows:

Worshipful Master	W. Bro. J. V. Dillabough
Immediate Past Master	W. Bro. J. P. Duguid
Senior Warden	Bro. V. J. Stubbs
Junior Warden	Bro. A. E. Dagg
Treasurer	Bro. H. Till
Secretary	Bro. K. G. Hillier
Chaplain	Bro. G. O. Turnbull
Senior Deacon	Bro. J. M. Taylor
Junior Deacon	Bro. L. E. Ostrander
Director of Ceremonies	Bro. G. R. Dowse
by proxy	Bro. M. K. Dagg
Senior Steward	Bro. A. H. Myrvold
Junior Steward	Bro. C. L. Turner
Organist	Bro. G. Clark
Inner Guard	Bro. H. Oake
Tyler	Bro. A. J. Morris

As their names were read, the brethren took their places before the Altar facing the East. They were then obligated and escorted to their several stations by the Grand Director of Ceremonies.

The Grand Master then gave the Charges to the Master, Senior and Junior Wardens; the lodge was called up and the Grand Master gave the Charge to the brethren of the lodge. Grand Honors were given and the Grand Director of Ceremonies made the proclamation. The Grand Chaplain pronounced the Benediction.

The Master of Ashlar Lodge was then placed in the Chair of King Solomon by M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole, who, in presentating the Dispensation and Gavel to him, extended his best wishes, and the Institution of the new Lodge was completed.

The new Master, W. Bro. J. V. Dillabough spoke briefly thanking the Grand Lodge Officers for their efforts on behalf of the new Lodge.

The Grand Lodge Officers then retired, and Ashlar Lodge, U.D., conducted their first regular meeting. Petitions for Initiation and Affiliation were asked for by Bros. A. E. Dagg, H. Till and G. Clark.

There being no further business the lodge was closed regularly in the Master Mason, Fellow Craft and Entered Apprentice Degrees at 9:30 p.m.

HARRY CODDINGTON,
Grand Secretary.

SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

CEREMONY OF INSTITUTION OF FORT PRINCE OF WALES LODGE, UNDER DISPENSATION

At the Town of Churchill, in the Province of Manitoba and within the Masonic Hall there, the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons met at 8.15 o'clock in the evening of Wednesday, September 27th, 1950, pursuant to notice given, for the purpose of Instituting a new lodge to be known as "Fort Prince of Wales Lodge," Most Worshipful Brother Chas. E. Cole, Grand Master, presiding.

Grand Lodge was constituted with the following Officers in attendance:

Grand Master	M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole
I.P.G.M. (Acting)	W. Bro. A. R. Simpson
Deputy Grand Master	R.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe
Senior Grand Warden	R.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran
Junior Grand Warden	R.W. Bro. H. H. Gray
Grand Secretary (Acting)	W. Bro. G. H. Warey
Senior Grand Deacon (Acting)	Bro. L. S. Stone
Junior Grand Deacon (Acting)	Bro. W. G. Wilson
Grand Pursuivant (Acting)	Bro. N. McKay
Grand Tyler (Acting)	Bro. B. E. Jonsson

Also in attendance were the following brethren:

R.W. Bro. H. R. Hollett
V.W. Bro. Wm. Howie
W. Bro. J. C. Jackson
W. Bro. W. A. Cox
W. Bro. H. F. Bickle
W. Bro. S. S. Williams

The M.W. Grand Master stated the purpose for which Grand Lodge had assembled and asked the Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe to read the Dispensation of authority. The list of Officers for the new Lodge Under Dispensation were announced as follows:

Worship Master	W. Bro. C. A. McCallum
Senior Warden	Bro.F. M. Downes
Junior Warden	Bro. W. R. Wharton
Treasurer	W. Bro. M. Veniotte
Secretary	Bro. G. H. Warey
Chaplain	Bro. A. Mackenzie
Senior Deacon	Bro. L. S. Stone
Junior Deacon	Bro. W. G. Wilson
Director of Ceremonies	W. Bro. A. R. Simpson
Senior Steward	Bro. J. G. Urquhart
Junior Steward	Bro .F. W. Pollit
Inner Guard	Bro. R. Steele
Tyler	Bro. B. E. Jonsson

As the names were read the brethren took their places before the Altar. They were then obligated by M.W. Grand Master, after which they were escorted to their various stations by the Acting Grand Director of Ceremonies. The Master of Fort Prince of Wales Lodge was then placed in the Chair of King Solomon by M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole, who, in presenting the Dispensation and Gavel to him, extended his best wishes, and the Institution of the new Lodge was completed.

The new Master, W. Bro. C. A. McCallum spoke briefly thanking the Grand Lodge Officers for their efforts to the new Lodge, pointing out that this evening realized an objective which started with a Masonic Study Club in 1943.

Thanks for the following gifts were expressed by the Master:

The Three Great Lights and the Working Tools, The Pas Lodge No. 124.

Master's and Wardens' Chairs, Bros. Rufus and Harry Wolfe, sons of the late W. Bro. Louis Wolfe.

Swords, Inner Guard and Tyler, Bro. J. B. Allen.

Officers Collars, Wardens' Columns and Gavels, Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1.

The Grand Master suitably addressed the gathering, urging them to be careful in their choice of future members and to live always as worthy members of the Lodge and the Craft.

There being no further business, the Lodge was closed regularly in the Master Mason, Fellow Craft and Entered Apprentice Degrees at 10:00 p.m.

HARRY CODDINGTON,
Grand Secretary.

Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

Minutes of a Special Communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, held in the City of Winnipeg, Province of Manitoba, on Sunday, May 13th, 1951.

PRESENT

M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4), Winnipeg	Acting Grand Master
M.W. Bro. Walter C. McDonald (70), Roland	Acting Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran (27), Souris	Senior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. A. S. McCann (4), Winnipeg	Acting Junior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4), Winnipeg	Grand Treasurer
W. Bro. M. Gordon McKenzie (130), Winnipeg	Acting Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. John P. Mowat (139), Winnipeg	Grand Director of Ceremonies

And some 200 brethren assembled.

Grand Lodge was duly opened by M.W. Brother Wm. Douglas, Acting Grand Master who explained this Special Communication had been convened for the purpose of laying the Corner Stone of the new St. Alban's Anglican Church, Rathgar Avenue, Deanery of Winnipeg, Diocese of Rupert's Land. The Corner Stone used was the Corner Stone from St. John's College Building, recovered when the latter building was demolished in 1951.

Grand Lodge was called off and a Procession formed under the direction of R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat, Grand

Director of Ceremonies and marched to the site of the new Church in the prescribed order. The Grand Chaplain R.W. Bro. Rev. Canon Frederick Hughes, Rector of St. Alban's Church then offered prayer and the Acting Grand Secretary, W. Bro. M. Gordon McKenzie read the following scroll and list of contents deposited in the cavity of the stone:

HISTORIC SCROLL

In the name of and by the favor of the Great Architect of Heaven and Earth on the 13th day of May, A.L. 5951, A.D. 1951, and in the fourteenth year of the Reign of our Most Excellent Majesty

GEORGE VI

By the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith.

The Most Reverend Louis Ralph Sherman, M.A., D.D., LL.D., Archbishop of Rupert's Land in the twenty-fourth year of his consecration.

His Excellency Viscount Alexander of Tunis, Governor-General of the Dominion of Canada.

The Right Honorable Louis St. Laurent, Prime Minister of the Dominion of Canada.

His Honor, R. F. McWilliams, K.C., Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Manitoba.

The Honorable Douglas L. Campbell, Premier of the Province of Manitoba.

His Worship Garnet Coulter, Mayor of the City of Winnipeg.

The Most Worshipful Charles E. Cole, being Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

The Right Worshipful Fred H. Blythe, being Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

The Right Worshipful Gordon A. McMorran, being Senior Grand Warden of the Granl Lodge of Manitoba.

The Right Worshipful Harry H. Gray, being Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

The Right Worshipful W. Percy White, being Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

The Most Worshipful Harry Coddington, being Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

The Right Worshipful Rev. Canon Frederick Hughes, being Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

The Most Worshipful William Douglas, being Grand Historian of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

The Right Worshipful John P. Mowat, being Grand Director of Ceremonies of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

The Right Worshipful Rev. Dr. George A. Woodside, being Grand Librarian of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

The Right Worshipful Frank C. Davey, being District Deputy Grand Master of the First Masonic District.

The Right Worshipful J. Reid Glenn, being District Deputy Grand Master of the Twelfth Masonic District.

The Rector of St. Alban's Anglican Church, Rural Dean of Winnipeg

The Reverend Richard J. Welsh, Assistant.
Charles W. Wright, Rector's Warden.
J. Robert Hibberd, Peoples' Warden.
E. H. C. Head, Chairman Building Committee.
Edgar Prain, Architect.
J. R. Bugby, Contractor.

CONTENTS OF BOX

The Historic Scroll.
The Holy Bible.
The Book of Common Prayer.
The Canadian Churchman.
The Winnipeg Tribune.
The Winnipeg Free Press.
Interior and Exterior pictures of the old Church.
Description of the Corner Stone.
A short History of the Parish.
Picture of the Rector, 1951.
Mothers' Union Journal.
The Living Message.
The Church Bulletin.
Confirmation Class.
Memorial Roll.

The Grand Treasurer, R.W. Bro. W. Percy White then deposited the box containing the Scroll, and other contents and records in the cavity beneath the stone.

THE CORNER STONE

The Corner Stone of St. Alban's Anglican Church, Rathgar Avenue, Deanery of Winnipeg, was laid by M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas, Acting Grand Master of the

Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, according to the rules and usages of our Ancient Craft, which may the Great Architect of the Universe ever bless and prosper.

The Acting Deputy Grand Master, Senior Grand Warden and Acting Junior Grand Warden applied the implements of their office to the stone after it had been placed in position and announced that the Craftsmen had done their duty.

After the Acting Deputy Grand Master and the Grand Wardens had poured out the corn, wine and oil, the M.W. Acting Grand Master consecrated the stone, pronouncing it correctly laid according to the rules and usages of our Ancient Craft and may the blessing of Almighty God rest upon this undertaking.

PROCLAMATION

The Grand Director of Ceremonies proclaimed that the Corner Stone of the structure here to be erected had been proved secure, level and plumb, true and trusty and laid according to the rules of our Ancient Craft by the Acting Grand Master.

ORATION

M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas, Acting Grand Master gave the following fine Address:

It has been the custom when members of the Masonic Craft are invited to perform the ceremonies we have participated in this afternoon, that some brother should address a few appropriate remarks to the assembled gathering.

To me, there is a deep significance in the fact that the Freemasons of Manitoba have been privileged to perform this ancient ceremony. This significance centres around the honored name of the parish—St. Alban's.

Doubtless the members of the congregation are proud to bear the name of St. Alban, and I presume the story of the proto-martyr of England is familiar to all those connected with the Church. However, in the realm of Freemasonry, the members of the ancient and honorable Craft also have an interest in St. Alban because the Freemasons of England claim this Saint as having been intimately connected with the Craft in that tight little island.

In one of the earliest Constitutions (Anderson 1738) we read; "This (the story of St. Alban) is asserted by all the old Constitutions, and the English Masons firmly believe it."

Referring still further to the Old Constitutions, here is the record handed to us from the long, long ago. "St. Alban loved Masons well and cherished them much, and made their pay right good, viz., two shillings per week and three-pence to their cheer; whereas, before that time, through all the land, a Mason had but a penny a day and his meat, until St. Alban amended it. He also obtained from the King a Charter for the Freemasons, for to hold a general council, and gave it the name of Assembly, and was thereat himself, as Grand Master and helped make Masons and gave them good charges."

There is still another tradition, details of which are to be found in a book published nearly two centuries ago. In this volume we find this further reference to the Masonic character and position of St. Alban. "In the following (the third) century, Gordian sent many architects over (into England), who constituted themselves into Lodges, and instructed the Craftsmen in the true principles of Freemasonry; and a few years later, Carusias was made Emperor of the British Isles, and being a great lover of art and science, appointed Albanus, Grand Master of Masons, who employed the Fraternity in building the palace of Verulam or St. Alban's, as it was later known."

We realize these statements are legends or traditions.

But, the historic background is there and we know that in the time of St. Alban, architecture began to be encouraged in England. In our own practical day we still find a place for legend and tradition and every member of the Masonic Craft is familiar with one particular legend. We can surely content ourselves then with the thought that St. Alban was a celebrated architect, an encourager of able and skilled workmen, and we believe further that the proto-martyr, whose name is perpetuated in this parish, typifies Freemasonry at the time he lived in England.

The lapse of time has dimmed the exact relation of St. Alban to his Masonic brethren but we have no reason whatever to cast doubt upon the legend whilst accepting others without challenge. And so, my friends, we of the Masonic Craft along with the parishoners of St. Albans, claim something in common, something very good.

St. Alban was not only legendary Mason to suffer for his beliefs. Down through the ages our Craft has always been the exponent of freedom. Our great principles, Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth are fundamental. Freemasonry from the very beginning has been the steady unvarying friend of man. It has been the constant messenger of peace and love. It pioneered fraternal intercourse in this country and has never deviated from the Divine Plan that gave it birth.

We bring together men in every walk of life. We erect no sectarian barriers. We extend the right hand of fellowship to all men who are good citizens, true to God just to their Country and honored by their neighbours. Such men cannot fail to find a spiritual place of refreshment in a Masonic Lodge.

And so ladies, by and through these brief remarks I have uncovered to you some of the so-called Masonic secrets. We gladly share them with all the good people of this district.

On behalf of the Most Worshipful, Grand Master, Charles E. Cole, who is absent on Masonic business in a distant part of the Province, I extend to the Wardens, the Vestry and the members of St. Alban's Church, the united congratulations of the fourteen thousand Freemasons in Manitoba. May all your efforts be crowned with success and every anticipation realized. That is the sincere greeting of the Masonic Craft of Manitoba.

The procession reformed, returning to the meeting place, when the Grand Lodge was closed in due form, with prayer by R.W. Bro. Rev. Canon Frederick Hughes, Grand Chaplain.

HARRY CODDINGTON,
Grand Master.

SEVENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION
of the

Grand Lodge
# of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

HELD IN THE BLUE ROOM OF THE MASONIC
TEMPLE, WINNIPEG, ON WEDNESDAY,
JUNE 6th, 1951, at 2:30 P.M.

The Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, met in Communication in the Blue Room of the Masonic Temple, in the City of Winnipeg, and was opened in Ample Form by the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Charles E. Cole, at 2:30 p.m.

PRESENT

M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole (7), Portage la Prairie	Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe (93), Winnipeg	Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran (27), Souris	Senior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray, (141), Winnipeg	Junior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4), Winnipeg	Grand Treasurer
M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington (1), Winnipeg	Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat (139), Winnipeg	Grand Director of Ceremonies
V.W. Bro. G. R. Dewar (7), Portage la Prairie	Junior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. S. D. Cruden (10), Winnipeg	Grand Pursuivant
V.W. Bro. Thos. King (121), St. James	Grand Tyler
R.W. Bro. A. C. Pritchard (148) West Kildonan, D.D.G.M.	10th District

PAST GRAND MASTERS

M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington (1)
M.W. Bro. Samuel Burland (12)
M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence (25)

R.W. Bro. A. G. Cowan (4)
R.W. Bro. A. E. Thompson (48)
R.W. Bro. J. J. Bannerman (93)
W. Bro. Ben. Davies (93)—W.M.
Bro. O. Russell (112)—S.W.
W. Bro. J. W. Bringhurst (114)—W.M.
W. Bro. A. E. Boyle (114)
W. Bro. O. E. MacQuoid (114)
R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett (121)
W. Bro. R. J. Cordy (121)—W.M.
V.W. Bro. W. D. G. Runions (130)
W. Bro. M. G. McKenzie (130)
W. Bro. A. H. Brotheridge (131)
W. Bro. E. L. White (131)
Bro. M. C. Brown (131)—S.W.
W. Bro. J. W. Emes (132)—W.M.
R.W. Bro. G. R. Mackay (137)
V.W. Bro. J. B. McClure (138)
R.W. Bro. L. C. Welsh (139)
W. Bro. Geo. Lardner (139)—W.M.
W. Bro. J. McKendry (140)—W.M.
Bro. C. Campbell (140)—S.W.
W. Bro. H. Harris (141)
W. Bro. E. Chivers (145)—W.M.
W. Bro. J. S. Smith (148)—W.M.
Bro. Thos. Sly (148)—J.W.
W. Bro. J. V. Dillabough—Ashlar U.D.—W.M.

The Most Worshipful Grand Master introduced the question of the adjourning the Communication of Grand Lodge, and it was moved by R.W. Bro. Blythe (93), seconded by R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat (139) that the Communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M. be adjourned to Wednesday and Thursday, June 13th and 14th, 1951. Carried.

The Regular Communication of Grand Lodge was adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

HARRY CODDINGTON,
Grand Secretary.

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1951

THE ADJOURNED SESSIONS OF THE SEVENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

The Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons met in the Adjourned Sessions of the Annual Communication in the Royal Alexandra Hotel, in the City of Winnipeg, on Wednesday. June 13th, 1951, commencing at 2:30 p.m.

PRESENT

M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole (7), Porage la Prairie	Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe (93), Winnipeg	Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran (27), Souris	Senior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. H. H. Gray (141). Winnipeg	Junior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4), Winnipeg	Grand Treasurer
M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington (1), Winnipeg	Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. Rev. Canon Fred. Hughes (1), Winnipeg	Grand Chaplain
M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4), Winnipeg	Grand Historian
R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat (139), Winnipeg	Grand Director of Ceremonies
R.W. Bro. Dr. G. A. Woodside (10), Winnipeg	Grand Librarian
V.W. Bro. L. G. Barnes (131), East Kildonan	Senior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. G. R. Dewar (7), Portage la Prairie	Junior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. Hector Spence (120), Dominion City	Senior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. R. A. S. Follett (50), Killarney-Absent	Junior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. J. A. Sundell (63), Holland	Grand Organist
V.W. Bro. S. D. Cruden (10), Winnipeg	Grand Pursuivant
V.W. Bro. Thos. King, (121), St. James	Grand Tyler

R.W. Bro. F. C. Davey (93), Winnipeg, D.D.G.M.	1st. Masonic District
R.W. Bro. C. F. L. McLeod (108), Brookdale, D.D.G.M.	2nd. Masonic District
R.W. Bro. H. A. McLeod (87), Treherne, D.D.G.M.	3rd. Masonic District
R.W. Bro. D. Stroud (36), Boissevain, D.D.G.M.	4th. Masonic District
R.W. Bro. W. A. Burnett (101), Binscarth, D.D.G.M.	5th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. A. F. Johnston (40), Deloraine, D.D.G.M.	6th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. F. R. Willmott (113), Douglas, D.D.G.M.	7th. Masonic District
R.W. Bro. A. C. Orchard (90), Miami, D.D.G.M.	8th. Masonic District
R.W. Bro. C. F. Shaw (100), Dauphin, D.D.G.M.	9th. Masonic District
R.W. Bro. A. C. Pritchard (148), West Kildonan	10th. Masonic District
R.W. Bro. J. Reid Glenn (144), Winnipeg, D.D.G.M.	12th. Masonic District

LIST OF PAST GRAND MASTERS PRESENT

M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington (1)
M.W. Bro. N. J. Black (3)
M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4)
M.W. Bro. Ben. C. Parker (4)
M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (11)
M.W. Bro. Sam Burland (12)
M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence (25)
M.W. Bro. J. S. MacEwing (51)
M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald (70)
M.W. Bro. E. T. Greenway (71)
M.W. Bro. D. S. Woods (90)
M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan (158)

PRINCE RUPERT'S LODGE No. 1:

W. Bro. J. E. Fraser	W.M.	M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington
Bro. G. H. Warren	S.W.	R.W. Bro. F. Hughes
		W. Bro. F. W. Brodrick
		W. Bro. E. C. Cowan
		W. Bro. M. M. McElheran

LISGAR LODGE No. 2:

W. Bro. D. G. Bain	W.M.	R.W. Bro. R. M. Muckle
Bro. Geo. Goodwin	S.W.	R.W. Bro. John Norquay

Bro. B. Stephanson . . . . J.W. V.W. Bro. W. H. Shead
W. Bro. Geo. Gilhuly
W. Bro. W. S. Griffith
W. Bro. S. F. Roberts
W. Bro. G. L. McQueen
W. Bro. L. C. Maxwell
W. Bro. John Veitch

ANCIENT LANDMARK LODGE No. 3:

Bro. R. D. Dunsmore . . S.W. M.W. Bro. N. J. Black
R.W. Bro. J. C. Grant
V.W. Bro. C. J. Last
W. Bro. F. Adam
W. Bro. J. L. Angus
W. Bro. P. G. Hawkins
W. Bro. W F. Hutton
W. Bro. T. C. Jackson
W. Bro. E. W. Kemp
W. Bro. S. J. Sametz
W. Bro. W. J. Wenham

ST. JOHN'S LODGE No. 4:

W. Bro. B. Stuart Parker. W.M. M.W. Bro. W. Douglas
Bro. C. E. Mansell . . . . S.W. M.W. Bro. Ben. C. Parker
Bro. P. C. Pratt . . . . J.W. R.W. Bro. A. G. Cowan
R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy
R.W. Bro. W. Percy White
V.W. Bro. O. L. Best
V.W. Bro. W. C. Birt
V.W. Bro. T. L. Dodsworth
W. Bro. C. V. Anterbring
W. Bro. E. H. Brown
W. Bro. E. L. Jukes
W. Bro. C. S. Landon
W. Bro. A. A. MacDonald
W. Bro. Geo. W. Reed
W. Bro. J. W. Tackaberry
W. Bro. R. D. Vance
W. Bro. Mark A. Woods

EMERSON LODGE No. 6:

Bro. C. C. Thompson . . S.W. R.W. Bro. G. J. Long
R.W. Bro. A. Moffit
W. Bro. K. C. R. Coulter
W. Bro. J. C. Reece
W. Bro. W. H. Storms

ASSINIBOINE LODGE No. 7:

W. Bro. R. E. Braden . . . W.M.
Bro. W. K. Stewart . . . S.W.
Bro. W. S. Allison . . . . J.W.

M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole
R.W. Bro. John McKenzie
R.W. Bro. S. H. Prowse
V.W. Bro. G. R. Dewar
V.W. Bro. J. C. Hyde
W. Bro. W. R. Crealock
W. Bro. W. Dalzell
W. Bro. W. F. L. Hyde
W. Bro. L. J. McDougall
W. Bro. R. A. Price
W. Bro. D. W. Smith
W. Bro. E. E. Smith

KING SOLOMON LODGE No. 8:

W. Bro. C. C. Dixon . . . . W.M.
Bro. L. A. Taylor . . . . S.W.
Bro. D. R. Johnson . . . J.W.

R.W. Bro. O. T. Johnson
R.W. Bro. A. J. Sawatsky

NORTHERN LIGHT LODGE No. 10:

W. Bro. S. H. Muton . . . . W.M.

R.W. Bro. G. A. Woodside
V.W. Bro. S. D. Cruden
W. Bro. D. Mitchell
W. Bro. W. R. Morrison

GLADSTONE LODGE No. 11:

W. Bro. Thos. H. Bell . . . . W.M.
Bro. S. C. Howard . . . . S.W.
Bro. F. H. Jarvis . . . . . J.W.

M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni
R.W. Bro. W. J. McGregor
V.W. Bro. E. J. Cresswell
W. Bro. D. S. Hyndman
W. Bro. S. Sorenson
W. Bro. E .A. Stout
W. Bro. C. Wallis
W. Bro. T. M. Willett
W. Bro. Jas Winn

STONEWALL LODGE No. 12:

W. Bro. S. J. Heggie . . . . W.M.
Bro. E. B. Good . . . . . . S.W.
Bro. E. B. Slater . . . . . J.W.

M.W. Bro. S. Burland
R.W. Bro. J. W .L. Lindsay
V.W. Bro. H. A. Good
W. Bro. W. G. Corbett
W. Bro. J. W. Good
W. Bro. M. R. Good
W. Bro. C. S. Trick

MORDEN LODGE No. 13:

W. Bro. B.F. Farquharson	W.M.	R.W. Bro. G. H. Bray
Bro. W. H. Chapman	S.W.	V.W. Bro. J. B. Day
Bro. W. L. Jessiman	J.W.	W. Bro. W. J. Breakey
		W. Bro. Wm. Godfrey

PRINCE OF WALES LODGE No. 14:

W. Bro. H. M. Stephenson	W.M.	W. Bro. A. Murray
Bro. H. J. Moad	S.W.	W. Bro. Robert Wood
Bro. W. A. Rykiss	J.W.	

CORINTHIAN LODGE No. 15:

W. Bro. J. Hunter	W.M	

BRANDON LODGE No. 19:

W. Bro. J. J. Wall	W.M.	W. Bro. A. G. Warr
Bro. R. C. Ghidoni	S.W.	
Bro. H. W. Halverson	J.W.	

NEEPAWA LODGE No. 24:

W. Bro. Wm. Allan	W.M.	R.W. Bro. J. Mathewson
Bro. W. Clyde	S.W.	W. Bro. J. Ferguson Irwin
		W. Bro. C. Mann

IONIC LODGE No. 25:

W. Bro. H. V. Dimock	W.M.	R.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence
Bro. R. Wood	S.W.	M.W. Bro. R. Fletcher Argue
		W. Bro. J. M. Davies
		W. Bro. E. L. Hardie
		W. Bro. Jas. Perry
		W. Bro. G. A. Warren

GLENWOOD LODGE No. 27:

W. Bro. W. M. Frame	W.M.	R.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran
		V.W. Bro. C. L. Anderson
		W. Bro Ewart McLaren

CARBERRY LODGE No. 29

W. Bro. E. A. Berry	W.M.	R.W. Bro. B. W. Caldwell
Bro. S. M. McDonald	S.W.	W. Bro. H. C. Banister
		W. Bro. A L. Mackay

MANITOU LODGE No. 30:
W. Bro. W. H. McKinney, W.M. R.W. Bro. H. R. Lawson

DORIC LODGE No. 36:
W. Bro. T. E. Fleming . . . W.M. R.W. Bro. D. Stroud

BIRTLE LODGE No. 39:
W. Bro. H. A. Barker . . . . W.M.

DELORAINE LODGE No. 40:
R.W. Bro. A. F. Johnston
W. Bro. D. Henry
W. Bro. W. P. Rosentreder

LEBANON LODGE No. 43:
W. Bro. J. C. Anderson . . W.M. W. Bro. W. J. Eyers
Bro. D. A. Gray . . . . . . J.W.

OAK LAKE LODGE No. 44:
Bro. C. O. Motheral . . S.W. W. Bro. W. P. Whitcomb

GLENBORO LODGE No. 48:
Bro. J. E. Diehl . . . . J.W. R.W. Bro. A E. Thompson
V.W. Bro. F. M. Ferg
W. Bro. L. J. Caslick
W. Bro. T. C. Wallis
W. Bro. W. A. Witherspoon

TEMPLE LODGE No. 49:
Bro. J. Dankesreiter . . S.W. R.W. Bro. M. E. MacKinnon
Bro. R. H. Harvey . . . . J.W. W. Bro. B.W. Embree
W. Bro. M. Kirshner
W. Bro. V. O. McKelvey
W. Bro. F. W. G. Venn

KILLARNEY LODGE No. 50:
W. Bro. G. C. Cowan . . . . W.M. R.W. Bro. J. C. Bate

TREHERNE LODGE No. 51:
W. Bro. C. R. Newcombe W.M. M.W. Bro. J. S. MacEwing
W. Bro. J. Anderson
W. Bro. I. A. Cottam
W. Bro. L. Matchett
W. Bro. L. E. Staples

HARTNEY LODGE No. 52:
W. Bro. W. L. Chapin ... W.M.

ORIENTAL LODGE No. 54:
W. Bro. E. H. Russell .... W.M. W. Bro. C. E. Cornish

EAST STAR LODGE No. 55:
W. Bro. H. F. Friesen .... W.M. W. Bro. A. R. Dick
Bro W. R. McNab ..... J.W. W. Bro. W. C. Miller
W. Bro. P. Schuppert
W. Bro. J. W. Simpson

RUSSELL LODGE No. 62:
W. Bro. W. Broadfoot

HOLLAND LODGE No. 63:
W. Bro. A. Thompson ... W.M. V.W. Bro. J. A. Sundell
Bro. G. G. Frame ..... S.W. W. Bro. G. T. Taylor
Bro. R. H. Pentland .. J.W.

COMPOSITE LODGE No. 64:
W. Bro. R. J. Green ..... W.M. R.W. Bro. O. McKay
Bro. Will. O. McKay .. J.W. V.W. Bro. A. D. Blair
W. Bro. J. Birtles
W. Bro. D. Rabe

WAWANESA LODGE No. 67:
W. Bro. E. A. Sundell ... W.M. W. Bro. J. W. Johnston
Bro. W. J. Johnston .. S.W. W. Bro. Ira Mayhew
Bro. H. C. Cory ...... J.W.

VERMILLION LODGE No. 68:
W. Bro. L. Kennedy ..... W.M.

SHILOH LODGE No. 70:
W. Bro. G. F. Thompson . W.M. M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald
Bro. R. R. Bartley .... S.W. R.W. Bro. W. E. Glover
Bro. K. G. Stokes ..... J.W. W. Bro. J. N. Anderson
W. Bro. R. C. Glover
W. Bro. F. W. Jones
W. Bro. R. A. McKenzie

CRYSTAL LODGE No. 71:
W. Bro. N. W. Correll .... W.M. M.W. Bro. E. T. Greenway
Bro. J. H. Treble ..... S.W. R.W. Bro. F. B. Lynes
W. Bro. R. R. Livesley
W. Bro. John A. Macartney
W. Bro. U. F. Mutch

ELKHORN LODGE No. 74:

W. Bro. J. Bajus .... W.M.
Bro. J.W. M. Thompson S.W

GOTHIC LODGE No. 75:

W. Bro. Geo. Bull .... W.M. V.W. Bro. D. A. Campbell
W. Bro. A. H. Manns
W. Bro. D. B. Smith
W. Bro. E. L. Westman

NAPINKA LODGE No. 77:

Bro. F. L. Lindbloom . S.W. W. Bro. A. W. Bodkin
W. Bro. O. T. Bugg

CYPRESS LODGE No. 82:

W. Bro. R. I. Connon

HAMIOTA LODGE No. 84:

W. Bro. A. Pateman ..... W.M. W. Bro. E. P. Venables

ELGIN LODGE No. 86:

W. Bro. J. H Reid .... W.M. W. Bro. J. E. Clark
Bro. J. W. Kemp ..... J.W.

RATHWELL LODGE No. 87:

W. Bro. A. H. MacDonald W.M. R.W. Bro. E. B. Litz
R.W.Bro. H. A. McLeod

MIDLOTHIAN LODGE No. 90:

W. Bro. A. Stuart .... W.M. M.W. Bro. D. S. Woods
Bro. P. Eby .... J.W. R.W. Bro. W. N. Cameron
R.W. Bro. A. C. Orchard
W. Bro. John Stewart
W. Bro. S. Stuart

SHOAL LAKE LODGE No. 92:

KING EDWARD LODGE No. 93:

W. Bro. Ben. Davies ..... W.M. R.W. Bro. J. J. Bannerman
R.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe
R.W. Bro. F. C. Davey
W. Bro. E. E. Burden
W. Bro. R. A. Gillespie
W. Bro. W. H. McPherson
W. Bro. S. A. Restall
W. Bro. A. E. Ritchie
W. Bro. L. J. Turner
W. Bro. E. I. Waller

HIRAM LODGE No. 94:

Bro. H. G. Bell	J.W.	

ROBBIE BURNS LODGE No. 100:

Bro. J. W. Hart	W.M.	R.W. Bro. C. F. Shaw
		W. Bro. A. W. Knott

BINSCARTH LODGE No. 101:

W. Bro. B. B. Horning	W.M.	R.W. Bro. W. A. Burnett
Bro. J. S. Murray	S.W.	W. Bro. T. McLennan

MINIOTA LODGE No. 102:

W. Bro. A. G. Douglas	W.M.	R.W. Bro. W. D. Berwick
		R.W. Bro. Robert Peel

CRESCENT LODGE No. 103:

W. Bro. W. B. McKay	W.M.	R.W. Bro. H. R. Bewes
Bro. S. W. Woods	S.W.	R.W. Bro. W. C. Ross
		V.W. Bro. E. A. Baragar
		W. Bro. E. J. Penston
		W. Bro. D. R. Woods

RESTON LODGE No. 104:

W. Bro. W. J. Abbey	W.M.	V.W. Bro. G. L. McMorran
Bro. F. R. Manning	S.W.	W. Bro. W. Brown
		W. Bro. A. J. Grant

PRIINCE ARTHUR LODGE No. 105:

W. Bro. Wm. A. McKay	W.M.	R.W. Bro. John Livesey
Bro. G. L. Grayson	S.W.	W. Bro. C. E. Baudin
		W. Bro. W. L. Foshner

STRATHCLAIR LODGE No. 106:

Bro. Wm. Craig	J.W.	R.W. Bro. G. V. Eenderson

LANSDOWNE LODGE No. 107:

W. Bro. J. D. Moar	W.M.	R.W. Bro. F. K. Purdie
Bro. D. B. McMillan	S.W.	W. Bro. A. W. Moar
Bro. D. Kettles	J.W.	

UNION LODGE No. 108:

W. Bro. F.B.K. Alexander	W.M.	R.W. Bro. J. P. Lawrie
Bro. W. Dickson	S.W.	R.W. Bro. C. F. L. McLeod
		W. Bro. C. R. Kinney
		W. Bro. W. L. McDonald
		W. Bro. L L. Mikkelson

SWAN LAKE LODGE No. 109:

W. Bro. H. R. Horn	W.M.	W. Bro. O. W. Couch
Bro. H. E. Foster	J.W.	

KILWINNING LODGE No. 110:

ACACIA LODGE No. 111:

Bro. R. Holms	S.W.	R.W. Bro. C. A. Milwinter
		W. Bro. T. S. Copland
		W. Bro. H. Purton
		W. Bro. C. Ross
		W. Bro. A. Russell
		W. Bro. R. Sharp

OPHIR LODGE No. 112:

W. Bro. Thos. Law	W.M.	W. Bro. B. G. Hinchcliffe
Bro. R. B. Latta	J.W.	

TWEED LODGE No. 113:

W. Bro. H. J. Barger	W.M.	R.W. Bro. H. M. Kerr
Bro. R. A. Yates	J.W.	R.W. Bro. W. A. Prugh
		R.W. Bro. F. R. Willmott
		V.W. Bro. R. H. Cross
		W. Bro. W. D. Gall
		W. Bro. P. Hammond
		W. Bro. H. S. Perdue

"THE ASSINIBOINE" LODGE No. 114:

W. Bro. J. W. Bringhurst	W.M.	R.W. Bro. A. Campbell
Bro. J. A. Ogden	S.W.	W. Bro. W. S. Archibald
Bro. E. Hammarstrand	J.W.	W. Bro. A. E. Bovle
		W. Bro. J. W. Hall
		W. Bro. N. M. Hall
		W. Bro. O. E. MacQuoid

RIVERS LODGE No. 115.

		W. Bro. G. L. Davies

ST. ANDREW'S LODGE No. 116:

Bro. S. L. Reidle	W.M.	W. Bro. J. H. Caldwell
		W. Bro. C. E. Titus
		W. Bro. H. G. Turner

STRATHCONA LODGE No. 117:

W. Bro. R. E. Gullett	W.M.	R.W. Bro. A. J. Box
Bro. E. H. Harrison	J.W.	R.W. Bro. H. E. Hopkins
		W. Bro. N. Madson
		W. Bro. R. D. Saunders

MOUND LODGE No. 118:

W. Bro. F. W. Perfect	W.M.	W. Bro. H. Genaske
		W. Bro. C. G. McLean

NORWOOD LODGE No. 119:

W. Bro. Geo. Clark	W.M.	W. Bro. D. Milne
Bro. J. C. Macdonald	S.W.	W. Bro. W. M. Summers
W. Bro. S. Leture	J.W.	

PENZA LODGE No. 120:

W. Bro. B.H. Witherspoon	W.M.	V.W. Bro. Hector Spence
Bro. M. H. Smith	S.W.	W. Bro. W. M. Casson
		W. Bro. A. G. Froom

ST. JAMES LODGE No. 121:

W. Bro. R. J. Cordy	W.M.	R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett
Bro. S. C. Bagley	S.W.	V.W. Bro. Thos. King
Bro. L. E. Ashby	J.W.	V.W. Bro. E. S. Reeves
		W. Bro. A. R. James
		W. Bro. G. W. Rattray
		W. Bro. J. K. Reid
		W. Bro. Richard Wood
		W. Bro. J. Wylie

ROBLIN LODGE No. 122:

TRANSCONA LODGE No. 123:

W. Bro. J. F. Kruger	W.M.	W. Bro. T. D. Conlin
Bro. Jas. Bligh	S.W.	W. Bro. J. Fowlis
		W. Bro. A. W. Harvey
		W. Bro. R. A. Kellie
		W. Bro. M. J. G. McMullen

THE PAS LODGE No. 124:

W. Bro. F. A. Woodward	W.M.	

PATRICIA LODGE No. 125:

W. Bro. M. G. Gehring	W.M.	W. Bro. J. L. Hamilton
		W. Bro. Paul R. Jeske
		W. Bro. W. G. Peckover
		W. Bro. J. H. Tjaden
		W. Bro. J. J. Tjaden

FAVEL LODGE No. 126:

EMPIRE LODGE No. 127:

W. Bro. D. B. Hanna	S.W.	R.W. Bro. Jas. Wardrope
W. Bro. J. Hall	J.W.	W. Bro. W. Lamb
		W. Bro. A. Sinclair

		W. Bro. Geo. Smith
		W. Bro. F. Williamson
		W. Bro. J. W. G. Wyatt

VICTORY LODGE No. 128:

FORT GARRY LODGE No. 130:

W. Bro. H. H. Hawker	W.M.	V.W. Bro. W. D. G. Runions
Bro. A. G. Sim	S.W.	W. Bro. A. E. Duff
Bro. C. H. P. Killick	J.W.	W. Bro. M. G. McKenzie

KILDONAN LODGE No. 131:

Bro. M. C. Brown	S.W.	V.W. Bro. L. G. Barnes
		W. Bro. D. Carnegie
		W. Bro. T. B. Francis
		W. Bro. W. Inglis
		W. Bro. A. W. Ogston
		W. Bro. J. Rennie
		W. Bro. W. Thompson
		W. Bro. E. L. White

SPRAGUE LODGE No. 132:

McCREARY LODGE No. 133:

W. Bro. S. R. Harris	W.M.	

STONY MOUNTAIN LODGE No. 134:

W. Bro. W. H. N. Adair	W.M.	W. Bro. H. W. Elwell
Bro. D. Scott	S.W.	W. Bro. Hector French
Bro. G. W. McNeil	J.W.	W. Bro. R. F. Green
		W. Bro. Thos. Hartley
		W. Bro. E. McKeown

CAPITOL LODGE No. 136:

W. Bro. G. B. Niven	W.M.	W. Bro. J. P. Edgar
Bro. A. P. Jones	S.W.	W. Bro. R. J. Emerson

LORD SELKIRK LODGE No. 137:

W. Bro. D. O. Paterson	W.M.	R.W. Bro. G. R. Mackay
Bro. D. J. Linney	J.W.	V.W. Bro. A. Huddlestone
		W. Bro. R. Aikman
		W. Bro. R. A. Bruce
		W. Bro. W. A. Clarke
		W. Bro. M. Ferguson
		W. Bro. F. W. Sneesby

WINDSOR LODGE NO. 138:

W. Bro. J. H. Wood	W.M.	R.W. Bro. Dave Griffith
Bro. G. L. Wilson	J.W.	V.W. Bro. J. B. McClure

W. Bro. A. J. Horton
W. Bro. P. T. Houston
W. Bro. J. F. Orr

BEAVER LODGE No. 139:

W. Bro. G. M. Lardner . . W.M.
Hugh A. Roberts . . . . . S.W.
Bro. Athol R. Gordon . J.W.

R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat
R.W. Bro. L. C. Welsh
V.W. Bro. W. Lawson
V.W. Bro. S. W. Robertston
W. Bro. F. M. Bastin
W. Bro. I. J. R. Deacon
W. Bro. M. S. Lougheed
W. Bro. C. J. Timleck
W. Bro. A. Wharton

MERIDIAN LODGE No. 140:

R.W. Bro. D. Milliken
W. Bro. A. C. Cabel
W. Bro. A. R. Cossor
W. Bro. G. Kerslake
W. Bro. D. A. King
W. Bro. P. D. Strange
W. Bro. A. J. MacIver
W. Bro. A. A. Reid

TUSCAN LODGE No. 141:

W. Bro. E. L. Barr . . . . W.M.
Bro. C. G. Hayson . . . . S.W.
Bro. S. Rosenblat . . . . . J.W.

R.W. Bro. H. H. Gray
V.W. Bro. N. Rothstein
W. Bro. J. J. Allen
W. Bro. H. E. Harris
W. Bro. D. Rothstein

HARMONY LODGE No. 142:

Bro. W. G. Robbins . . S.W.

MT. SINAI LODGE No. 145:

W. Bro. E. M. Finkleman W.M.
Bro. A. Hecht . . . . S.W.

R.W. Bro. S. Hart Green
W. Bro. H. Bookhalter
W. Bro. J. Fred
W. Bro. W. Leonoff
W. Bro. J. M. Lyons
W. Bro. J. L. Rill
W. Bro. M. Rosenstock
W. Bro. J. Serabrin
W. Bro. I. Zipursky

FORT OSBORNE LODGE No. 144:

W. Bro. A. Laidlaw . . . . . . W.M.
Bro. D. W. Stewart . . . . S.W.

R.W. Bro. J. Reid Glenn
W. Bro. J. O. Stebbing

STURGEON CREEK LODGE No. 145:

W. Bro. E. Chivers ...... W.M.

FIDELITY LODGE No. 146:

W. Bro. A. H. W. Cook .. W.M.
Bro. M. A. Schell ..... S.W.
Bro. G. F. Cameron ... J.W.

R.W. Bro. G. Florence
W. Bro. W. M. Pile
W. Bro. S. C. Swanton
W. Bro. F. H. Williams

JUBILEE LODGE No. 147:

W. Bro. Carl Cook .... W.M.

SEVEN OAKS LODGE No. 148:

W. Bro. J. S. Smith ..... W.M.
M. Andrew .... S.W.
Bro. Thos. Sly .... J.W.

R.W. Bro. A. C. Pritchard
W. Bro. W. S. Chesworth
W. Bro. A. Collicutt
W. Bro. J. J. Douglas
W. Bro. W. J. T. Pearce

CARTWRIGHT LODGE No. 150:

W. Bro. E. R. Newton .... W.M.
G. S. Fulford .... S.W.

THE DORMER LODGE No. 151:

W. Bro. E. C. Sansom .... W.M.
Bro. R. Clare .... S.W.

R.W. Bro. R. W. Ross
V.W. Bro. R. S. Bird
W. Bro. S. Colville
W. Bro. A. C. Keel
W. Bro. A. E. Longstaffe

FOXWARREN LODGE No. 152:

W. Bro. G. A. McCrindle W.M.
W. E. Hall .... S.W.
Bro. J. Laycock .... J.W.

FLIN FLON LODGE No. 153:

W. Bro. D. Forshaw ..... W.M.

PINE FALLS LODGE No. 154:

W. Bro. H. E. Spence .... W.M.
Bro. Reg. Towler ..... S.W.
Bro. J. W. Aseltine .... J.W.

R.W. Bro. D. C. Robertson
W. Bro. Wm. Bird
W. Bro. J. K. French
W. Bro. J. J. Jackson
W. Bro. G. A. Stewart

CARMAN LODGE No. 155:

Bro. A. Hardy .... J.W.

R.W. Bro. J. Milroy
W. Bro. G. W. Weaver

MANITOUWAPA LODGE No. 156:
W. Bro. A. V. Olson ...... W.M.

RICE LAKE LODGE No. 157:
W. Bro. G. H. Lucas ..... W.M. V.W. Bro. F. R. Sutton

FENWICK LODGE No. 158:
W. Bro. R. A. Carruthers . W.M. M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan
W. Bro. F. H. Young

NEWDALE LODGE No. 159:
W. Bro. J. M. Lavery .... W.M.

STARBUCK LODGE U.D.
W. Bro. Myrton Mills .... W.M.

ASHLAR LODGE U.D.
W. Bro. J. V. Dillabough W.M.
Bro. A. E. Dagg .... J.W.

CHARLESWOOD LODGE U.D.
W. Bro. W. H. Batchelor . W.M. W. Bro. C. E. James

Honorary Members:
M.W. Bro. H. W. Gill, N. D.
M.W. Bro. C. H. Pollock, N.D.
M.W. Bro. J. A. Stormon, N.D.
M.W. Bro. R. W. Stanford, Minn.
M.W. Bro. L. H. Colson, Minn.

Guests:
M.W. Bro. H. S. Pond, N.D.
M.W. Bro. E. W. Johnson, Minn.
R.W. Bro. G. H. Hummel, Sask.
R.W. Bro. W. R. Trench, B.C.
W. Bro. Clinton M. Norton, Minn.

Visitors:
R.W. Bro. John Candline, Sask.
R.W. Bro. N. S. Marsh, Ontario.
W. Bro. M. F. Hanland, Ont.
Bro. D. Gilmore, Ont.
Bro. R .H. Anderson, Ont.
Bro. J. C. McLeod, Sask.
Bro. A. F. Gavrel, Nanking Lodge No. 2, China.

All Master Masons desiring to enter Grand Lodge were then admitted and assigned to special seating accommodation provided for them in the Lodge Room.

The Session commenced with prayer by the Grand Chaplain, R.W. Bro. Rev. Canon Frederick Hughes.

The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole, welcomed the members of Grand Lodge, visitors and Master Masons, expressing his appreciation and pleasure for the excellent attendance at the Adjourned Session.

ADOPTING OF REGULATIONS

It was moved by M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington (1) and seconded by R.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe (93), that the Agenda and Regulations for conducting the Sessions of Grand Lodge, as printed, be adopted, subject to the wishes of the Grand Master. Carried.

The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Cole requested that all brethren entering or leaving the Lodge approach the Altar, give the required sign, and only between items of business. The Grand Secretary, reminded the brethren that all Motions must be written on the forms provided for this purpose.

READING OF MINUTES

It was moved by M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington (1) and seconded by R.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe (93) that the Minutes of the last Annual Communication and of the Adjourned Sessions of Grand Lodge, as printed in the Proceedings be taken as read and confirmed. Carried.

The Grand Secretary M.W. Bro. Coddington (1) read the Minutes of the regular Communication held on June 6th, 1951, and it was moved by M.W. Bro. Coddington, seconded by R.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe (93), that they be adopted as read. Carried.

REPORT OF NOMINATIONS

The Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. Coddington (1), reported that the following nominations had been received for the Offices of Grand Lodge, and for the Board of General Purposes, which report was seconded by R.W. Bro. F. Hughes (1).

Grand Master:
R.W. Bro. Frederick Harold Blythe, King Edward Lodge No. 93.

Deputy Grand Master:
R.W. Bro. Gordon Alexander McMorran, Glenwood Lodge No. 27.

Senior Grand Warden:
R.W. Bro. Harry Haggart Gray, Tuscan Lodge No. 141.

Junior Grand Warden:
R.W. Bro. Robert M. Muckle, Lisgar Lodge No. 2.
V.W. Bro. Francis Milton Ferg, Glenboro Lodge No. 48.
R.W. Bro. George Vickers Henderson, Strathclair Lodge No. 106.
R.W. Bro. John R. C. Evans, Tweed Lodge No. 113.

Grand Treasurer:
R.W. Bro. W. Percy White, St. John's Lodge No. 4.

Grand Secretary:
M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington, Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1.

Grand Chaplain:
RW. Bro. Rev. Canon Frederick Hughes, Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1.

Grand Historian:
M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas, St. John's Lodge No. 4.

Grand Director of Ceremonies:
R.W. Bro. John Paterson Mowat, Beaver Lodge No. 139.

Grand Librarian:
R.W. Bro. George Alexander Woodside, Northern Light. Lodge No. 10.

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

Two Year Term:

R.W. Bro. John Norquay, Lisgar Lodge No. 2.
R.W. Bro. Kenneth R. Kennedy, St.John's Lodge No. 4.
R.W. Bro. A. S. McCann, St. John's Lodge No. 4.
R.W. Bro. J. D. Lloyd, Emerson Lodge No. 6.
V.W. Bro. J. Bruce Day, Morden Lodge No. 13
R.W. Bro. Francis B. Lynes, Crystal Lodge No. 71.
R.W. Bro. Robert Peel, Miniota Lodge No. 102.
V.W. Bro. E. A. Baragar, Crescent Lodge No. 103.
R.W. Bro. Chas. A. Midwinter, Asacia Lodge No. 111.
R.W. Bro. Wm. Albert Prugh, Tweed Lodge No. 113.
R.W. Bro. Robt. E. Emmett, St. James Lodge No. 121.
R.W. Bro. Geo. P. Fairbairn, Fort Garry Lodge No. 130.
R.W. Bro. J. Reid Glenn, Fort Osborne Lodge No. 144.

PETITIONS, APPEALS AND CORRESPONDENCE

The Grand Secretary reported that there was no correspondence to be taken up at this time. Regrets for absence were received from:

M.W. Bro. George Moore, Grand Secretary, Alberta.
M.W. Bro Sam. Harris, P.G.M., Alberta.
M.W. Bro. Leroy W. Bond, G.M.. Alberta.
M.W. Bro. R. R. Twamley, P.G.M., South Dakota.
M.W. Bro. Dr. Peter T. Pilkey, P.M.G., Manitoba.

PETITIONS:

MOTIONS RE PETITIONS FOR CHARTERS

STARBUCK LODGE

It was moved by M.W. Bro. Coddington (1), seconded by R.W. Bro. L. C. Welsh (139) that:

WHEREAS Starbuck Lodge, having been granted a dispensation by the Most Worshipful Grand Master on February 20th, 1950. Instituted by the Most Worshipful Brother Charles E. Cole, Grand Master on Wednesday, the Sixteenth day of August, 1950, at Starbuck, Manitoba.

AND WHEREAS since that date, has carried on as a Lodge of Freemasons successfully in accordance with and in harmony with the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba as the report of the Grand Master to the Board of General Purposes would testify:

AND WHEREAS the said Lodge, having petitioned the Grand Lodge to grant them a Charter, which petition with the approval of the Grand Master is now favorably recommended by the Board of General Purposes.

BE IT NOW RESOLVED, that this Grand Lodge of Manitoba grant the prayer of the Petition and that the said Lodge, situate in the Village of Starbuck, Manitoba, be placed on the Register of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, denominated Starbuck Lodge, and numbered 160. Carried.

FORT PRINCE OF WALES LODGE

It was moved by M.W. Bro. Coddington (1), seconded by R.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe (93), that:

WHEREAS Fort Prince of Wales Lodge, having been granted a dispensation by the Most Worshipful Grand Master on March 20th, 1950. . . . Instituted by the Most Worshipful Brother Charles E. Cole, Grand Master on Saturday, Twenty-seventh day of September, 1950, at Churchill, Manitoba.

AND WHEREAS since that date, has carried on as a Lodge of Freemasons successfully in accordance with and in harmony with the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba as the report of the Grand Master to the Board of General Purposes would testify:

AND WHEREAS the said Lodge, having petitioned the Grand Lodge to grant them a Charter, which petition with the approval of the Grand Master is now favorably recommended by the Board of General Purposes.

BE IT NOW RESOLVED, that this Grand Lodge of Manitoba grant the prayer of the petition and that the said Lodge, situate in the Townsite of Churchill, Maniaoba, be placed on the Register of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, denominated Fort Prince of Wales Lodge and numbered 161. Carried.

ASHLAR LODGE

It was moved by M.W. Bro. Coddington (1), seconded by R.W. Bro. F. C. Davey (93), that:

WHEREAS Ashlar Lodge, having been granted a dispensation by the Most Worshipful Grand Master on May 8th, 1950. . . . Instituted by the Most Worshipful Brother Charles E. Cole, Grand Master, on Monday, the Twenty-second day of September, 1950, at Norwood, Manitoba:

AND WHEREAS since that date, has carried on as a Lodge of Freemasons successfully in accordance with and in harmony with the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, as the report of the Grand Master to the Board of General Purposes would testify:

AND WHEREAS the said Lodge, having petitioned the Grand Lodge to grant them a Charter, which petition with the approval of the Grand Master is now favorably recommended by the Board of General Purposes:

BE IT NOW RESOLVED, that this Grand Lodge of Manitoba grant the prayer of the petition and that the said Lodge, situate in the City of St. Boniface, Manitoba, be placed on the Register of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, denominated Ashlar Lodge, and numbered 162. Carried.

CHARLESWOOD LODGE

It was moved by M.W. Bro. Coddington (1), seconded by R.W. Bro. F. C. Davey (93), that:

WHEREAS Charleswood Lodge, having been granted a dispensation by the Most Worshipful Grand Master on June 20th, 1950. . . . Instituted by the Most Worshipful Bro. Charles E. Cole, Grand Master, on Saturday, Twentieth day of September, 1950, at Charleswood, Manitoba.

AND WHEREAS since that date, has carried on as a Lodge of Freemasons successfully in accordance with and in harmony with the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, as the report of the Grand Master to the Board of General Purposes would testify:

AND WHEREAS the said Lodge, having petitioned the Grand Lodge to grant them a Charter, which petition with the approval of the Grand Master is now favorably recommended by the Board of General Purposes:

BE IT NOW RESOLVED, that this Grand Lodge of Manitoba, grant the prayer of the petition and that the said Lodge, situate in the Municipality of Charleswood, Manitoba, be placed on the Register of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, denominated Charleswood Lodge, and numbered 163. Carried.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members,
of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.
Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes submits its Annual Report as follows: During the year, the Board held all statutory meetings, Seven in number and two Special Meetings, at all of which I presided. The average attendance was 33. In addition to what may be called routine business, various matters of importance received consideration and the following is a synopsis of these items:

MEETING OF AUGUST 10th, 1950

34 Present

The inaugural meeting of the Board was held immediately after the close of Grand Lodge. By virtue of Office, R.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe was elected President, and R.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran, Vice-President. The following Committee was appointed to strike Standing Committees: M.W. Bros. Harry Coddington, Ben. C. Parker, W. D. Lawrence, H. B. Donnelly and W. C. McDonald.

MEETING OF AUGUST 31st, 1950

30 Present

This was a special meeting of the Board. M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly, Chairman of the Committee appointed to deal with the Office of Executive Secretary reported that the Commnttee had drafted a memorandum to be printed in Masonry in Mantoba, outlining the qualifications, etc., for this position, applications to be received by September 30th.

The Committee appointed to strike Standing Committees submitted their report which was discussed fully and adopted with the insertion of M.W. Bro. Burland's name on the Committee on Masonic Research and Education.

The Board gave consideration to the Resolution submitted by Strathclair Lodge No. 106, asking for permission to dispose of certain properties in Strathclair for which the Lodge had no further use, to which request the Board gave its consent. A letter was received from the Master and Secretary of Treherne Lodge No. 51, giving plans of a proposed new Temple in Treherne and details as to the financing of same. Both plans and financial arrangements were approved by the Board and the brethren of Treherne Lodge were commended for the fine efforts put forth in the interests of Freemasonry . . . The Finance Committee were asked to take action on letters from several companies in connection with a blanket Bond for Lodge Secretaries . . . A letter was received from the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Scotland wherein they wished to augment the Masonic Flood Relief Fund by £1,000. The Board approved of the action of the Grand Secretary in replying to the Grand Secretary in Scotland, thanking them for their kind expressions of sympathy and their desire to assist in a tangible way, but asking them to retain the gift and if it was required we would be only too happy to call upon them for their kind assistence . . . A letter was read from the Librarian at Norway House thanking us for the donation of books to their Public Library.

On behalf of M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald, the Board was informed that the Second All-Canada Conference was to be held in Winnipeg in February 1951, and he wished to have subjects suggested for presentation at the Conference. The matter was referred to the Committee on Research and Education . . . Approval was given for the reprinting of the Constitution with amendments included and small corrections made. M.W. Bro. Douglas informed the Board that the Historical records of our Grand Lodge were not stored in sufficiently safe a place, and with their approval and the kindness of the Provincial Librarian, arrangements could be made whereby our Historical records and important documents could be stored in the Archives of the Provincial Government, free of charge. The offer was accepted and the matter was left in the hands of the Committee on Masonic Research and Education and the Grand Secretary, to assemble same and arrange for the transfer.

MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 15th, 1950

31 Present

Several Amendments to Section 26, of the Constitution were submitted to the Board by M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas and after discussion were referred to the Committee on Constitution and Revision for study and report . . . The Board approved of the execution of the lease for the use of the Auditorium on October 29th, at a rental of $180.00, this being for the Rededication Service of Grand Lodge . . . Reports were received from the several Committees, and a verbal report was given by M.W. Bro. Cole, on the Proceedings of the Banff Conference . . . As Chairman of the Custodians of "The Work," the Grand Master was informed of the urgency of a reprint of "The Work" and a committee of three were chosen to take over the proof-reading of same.

MEETING OF NOVEMBER 17th, 1950

35 Present

Letters were read from several constituent lodges and from Bro. A. P. Bloxham, Secretary of the newly formed Masonic Choir asking for approval for continuance of the 75th Anniversary Choir as a Masonic Choir to provide entertainment for shut-ins, Church Services, etc. Approval was given and two members of the Board were chosen to act with the Executive of the Choir and to lend assistance in regulating the activities of the Choir in accordance with the wishes of the Board.

A letter was read from the Grand Secretary in Scotland, intimating that the Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, would be visiting Winnipeg in October, and would be pleased to visit with some of the brethren of this Grand Lodge. Subsequently M.W. Bros. Douglas, Burritt, Coddington and R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat, spent an enjoyable hour visiting his Lordship in his suite at the Fort Garry Hotel.

It was the desire of Victory Lodge No. 128, that the Board allow them to purchase property in Benito, in order that they might erect a Masonic Hall on same, when finances permit. Permission was granted with the warning that Grand Lodge would assume no responsibility in respect to financing of same.

Stony Mountain Lodge No. 134 asked the granting of an open waiver of Jurisdiction over employees of the Penitentiary, who, due to lack of housing were forced to stay outside the village. This request was not granted, but they were informed that favorable consideration would be given, in these specific cases, to waiving the fee usually charged for Dispensation after waiver of Jurisdiction.

The attention of the Board was called to the fact that St. Andrew's Lodge No. 116 at Wellwood, had erected a new Masonic Hall without having had the consent of Grand Lodge on either plans or completed building . . . A special report was received from the Finance Committee regarding the position of Executive Secretary, all applications had been studied and two brethren had been interviewed. The Finance Committee also brought up the question of Pension or Annuity for the encumbent of this office, and asked for the Board's decision in this respect. The Board agreed in principle to a pension or annuity of $100.00 per month at age 65 . . . R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett, as Chairman of the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry, reported re proposed amendments to Section 7 and 41 of the Constitution, having to do with the mode of election at District Meetings, and said that the majority of the Districts held the opinion that these sections be left as at present . . . Matters were finalized regarding the Schedule Fidelity Bond, an agreement having been made with the Globe Indemnity Company through Smith, Fess and Denison, to cover the position of Secretary and/or Treasurer . . . Fine reports were received from several of the Committees.

MEETING OF JANUARY 19th, 1951

38 Present

Before proceeding with the Meeting, the President introduced to the members of the Board, the new Executive Secretary W. Bro. M. Gordon McKenzie, Past Master of Fort Garry Lodge No. 130. . . A letter was read from St. Andrew's Lodge No. 116, expressing regrets at their failure to comply with the Constitution and submitting all the necessary information and plans re their new Hall. Despite their oversight, they are to be highly commended for their enthusiasm in building and furnishing a new Masonic Hall which is quite free from debt.

The Trial Commission reported their findings re the charges laid against a member for unmasonic conduct, that they found him guilty and recommended that he be expelled from the Craft, whch recommendation was approved and carried by the Board . . . The report by the Chairman of the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry proved to be interesting, pointing out that from his perusal of lodge secretaries' reports he found over one hundred different lodge activities listed. At the close of this report the Grand Master suggested that these extra-curricular activities should be printed in the Proceedings, while M.W. Bro. Douglas, Editor of "Masonry in Manitoba" suggested that the report should be summarized for publication in our bulletin . . . The Committees reported progress in their various projects, and M.W. Bro. Burritt as Chairman of the Investment Committee reported on the discharge of the mortgage on 299 Waverley Street, purchased from Grand Lodge some years ago by Judge S. E. Richards, and which details may be read in M.W. Bro. Burritt's report . . . The Board unanimously approved of the request from Emerson Lodge No. 6, that they be granted permission to purchase the property adjoining their Lodge Hall, same to be used partly for the erection of an extension to the Hall and partly as a play ground for the children of the Town. Emerson Lodge No. 6, were commended by the Board for their future plans and for their excellent rehabilitation progress. Correspondence was read from the Secretary of the Conference of Grand Masters of Masons in North America, outlining the programme of their meetings and extending a cordial invitation to attend, and become a member of said Conference. After discussion it was decided that the Grand Master should represent Manitoba, but the Grand Master further recommended that the Grand Secretary's name be inserted in place of his own . . . M.W. Bro. Douglas brought forward the suggestion that the Constituent lodges be asked to send in prints or photographs of their lodge buildings for preparation of a pictorial record.

SPECIAL MEETING OF FEBRUARY 16th, 1951
18 Present

This meeting was called for the express purpose of discussing arrangements respecting the 1951 Annual Communication. Due to the fact that arrangements could not be made with the Hotel for the regular dates it was decided after much discussion to adjourn the 76th Communication to June 13th and 14th. The regular Communication to be only a token meeting in the Masonic Temple on June 6th, and the adjourned meeting to be held in the Royal Alexandra Hotel.

MEETING OF MARCH 16th, 1951
29 Present

The Grand Secretary reported that arrangements had been completed with all the constituent lodges in connection with the

Schedule Fidelity Bond. He also gave a most interesting report on his trip to Washington, and his attendance at the Grand Masters' Conference and the Grand Secretaries' Conference. He attended a meeting at the George Washington Memorial Temple, and also a breakfast in honor of the President of the United States, where he met many dignitaries including the President. A full report was also made by M.W. Bro. Cole on the Second All-Canada Conference which was held in Winnipeg in February, and which had been attended by many of our Manitoba brethren . . . A report was made on the fact that the rental of the Grand Lodge offices had been increased.

. . . A letter was read from The Pas Lodge No. 124 making enquiries as to whether they could start a lodge of Instruction at Sherridon, Manitoba. Nothing more has been done in this regard pending further information and details. A number of fine reports were received from the Standing Committee Chairmen.

Permission was given at this meeting to King Solomon Lodge No. 8 at Morris, to sell their old Masonic Hall severly damaged by the Flood for the sum of $125.00 which included the removal of the building from their property . . . Permission was also given to Mound Lodge No. 118 to move into their almost completed new Lodge Hall, details as to its suitability having been received from R.W. Bro. Stroud, D.D.G.M. . . . A donation was received from R.W. Bro. John Parton of some Pamphlets, slides, etc., in connection with the Official Opening of the Masonic Peace Memorial in London, England, for which the Board unanimously expressed their thanks and which have already been put to use by some of the Lodges.

MEETING OF MAY 4th, 1951

34 Present

The Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry made a report on the advisability of securing records of specially prepared music for the Master Mason Degree, which consist of a set of five records at a cost of $42.50. If the records proved effective they would add a great deal to the Degree work in the lodges without a proper choir. There was much discussion on the subject but the report was put to the vote and carried.

All correspondence was dealt with . . . One letter, from M.W. Bro. Karl J. Mohr, concerning the Conference of Grand Masters was referred to the Finance Committee with the recommendation that the 1952 Fee of $40.00 be paid . . . W. Bro. H. H. Guttman sent in a letter dealing with changes to the forms used by Grand Lodge, which letter, together with the changes were referred to the Committee on Constitution and Revision for study . . . The Grand Secretary, in his Annual Report recommended that the Board give consideration to the matter of providing additional space for the Grand Secretary's Office and Staff. On motion duly made and carried, same was referred to the Committee on Finance to enquire into and report back to the Board with their recommendation.

The reports of the several Grand Lodge Committees were read, adopted and carried. A letter was read from R.W. Bro. Rev. Canon Frederick Hughes, extending an invitation to the M.W. Grand Master to officiate at the laying of the Corner Stone of the new St. Alban's Anglican Church. M.W. Bro. Cole had to decline owing to a previous commitment but authorized M.W. Wm. Douglas to act in his stead, assisted by the other Grand Lodge Officers. . . . R.W. Bro. Harry Gray, as President of the Past Master's Association reported that the Grand Lodge Luncheon this year was at a cost of $2.50 per person, but that the Association were going to sell the tickest for $2.00 and underwrite the remaining 50c. His reason for bringing this to the attention of the Board was that they be aware of the situation should it be necessary to ask for financial assistance to fulfil the obligation. . . . After a full report, and recommended by the D.D.G.M. R.W. Bro. A. C. Orchard, the Board granted permission to Shiloh Lodge No. 70, at Roland to complete the necessary transfer of land they had in view, and to proceed with the erection of a new Masonic Temple at Roland. . . . The matter of the proposed Amendments to the Constitution was brought up at this point and the suggestion put forward that as none of the Amendments were of an urgent nature, they might be withdrawn. The mover of said Amendments refused to do this, but said he would confer with the Grand Master on the matter. . . . A letter was read from Fort Garry Lodge No. 130 asking for recognition of their Bro. John Fry Maidment, for his outstanding contributions to the Craft in Manitoba, in the course of his work in the Admitttance Department of the Winnipeg General Hospital. The letter was referred to the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry with the recommendation that the request be granted. . . . It was moved by M.W. Bro. Fahrni, seconded by M.W. Bro. Douglas that Honorary Membership on the Board of General Purposes be conferred upon W. Bro. J. Ferguson Irwin, who had faithfully and regularly served the Board for 12 years. The motion was carried unanimously that he be appointed a permanent member and that said appointment be put to Grand Lodge for confirmation. . . . The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole informed the Board that having received the consent of the Deputy Grand Master, the Senior and Junior Grand Wardens, he intended to confer, at the forthcoming Sessions of Grand Lodge, the rank of Honorary Past District Deputy Grand Master on V.W. Bro. Frank Ralph Sutton for his outstanding work for Freemasonry in Manitoba, and for Rice Lake Lodge No. 157 in particular.

Time is taking a heavy toll among the veterans of the Board of General Purposes, for many of the older members of this Board who, in the past years have given so generously of their time and talents are laid aside through illness, and their long experiences has been greatly missed by the Board.

The year just closing has been harmonious and if increased membership is a basis of prosperity then it has been a prosperous year, for we have passed the 14,000 mark in membership.

You will notice by the report of the Special Committee on Masonic Flood Relief that all lodge buildings damaged by the flood have been or will be rehabilitated. This was made possible by the generosity of our brethren, not only in Canada, but also in the United States. . . . The Special Committee set up to make the arrangements for the Rededication Service held on Sunday afternoon, October 29th, carried out their duties in a most successful manner. The Service was an inspiration, not only to those who attended, but also to the vast radio audience.

If the reports of the Standing Committees, as well as those of the Special Committees, receive the attention they warrant, it will be apparent that Freemasonry in this Grand Jurisdiction is making steady and firm progress.

Fraternally and respectfully submitted,

F. H. BLYTHE,
President.

This report was presented by R.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe (93), who moved its adoption, seconded by R.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran (27). Carried.

REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit to you the Seventy-sixth Annual Report of the Grand Secretary for the year ended March 31st, 1951.

Copies of the Proceedings of the Adjourned Communication of Grand Lodge held on August 9th, and 10th, 1950, were prepared and mailed to each of the Constituent Lodges, to the Officers of Grand Lodge, the members of the Board of General Purposes and to the Grand Lodges and their Representatives, with whom we are in fraternal relationship. Copies were also supplied to members of the Craft making application for same. It might be noted here that greater interest was shown by members of the Craft in that the demand for copies was greater than any previous year, indicating that the rank and file of the membership is taking a real interest in the work of Grand Lodge.

Warning Circulars have been prepared in accordance with the decision of Grand Lodge and mailed to Constituent Lodges and other bodies of Freemasonry, under numbers 75A and 75B.

Certificates for Grand Lodge Officers, Past District Deputy Grand Masters and Master Masons, Life Members and Honorary Members have been prepared and presented to individuals entitled to same or forwarded promptly to the Secretaries of the lodges concerned.

I again wish to express my thanks to the Secretaries of the constituent lodges for their co-operation in the prompt completion and forwarding of their half-yearly returns for the period ending December 31st, 1950. There were a few cases where it was necessary to write for the forms and it is hoped this will not be necessary in the future. On the whole, the reports were more accurate than they have been for some time but there are still errors being made by lodge Secretaries which might have been avoided. Letters written by the Grand Secretary's Office pointing out errors, etc., are not to be taken as being too critical, but rather with a view to creating a condition which will be of benefit to both the respective lodges and the Grand Secretary's Office.

The Returns, Form No. 42, show a gross increase in membership of 1032, and a net gain of 489 as compared with a net gain of 495 for 1949. Details and analysis of the reports are as follows:

Membership as at December 31st, 1949	13,549
Adjustment	1
	13,550

Additions:	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950
Initiations	901	847	781	791	745
Re-Instatements	74	53	71	51	42
Affiliations	170	259	161	156	147
Charter Members, U.D.					98
	1145	1186	1013	998	1032
Removals:					
By Demit	181	183	168	172	180
Suspended N.P.D.	27	48	67	75	113
Suspended U.M.C.	1	0	1	0	1
By Death	188	228	248	263	244
	397	459	484	510	538
Adjustments Less					5
Net Increase	748	727	529	495	489
Membership as at December 31st, 1950					14,039

The following table shows the Degrees conferred in the various lodges for the past five years:

	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950
Entered Apprentice	901	874	781	791	745
Fellow Craft	940	843	761	774	747
Master Mason	869	841	753	774	680
	2710	2558	2295	2339	2172

An analysis of the reports shows the following facts:

Suspension N.P.D.:

66 Lodges have no Suspensions for Non-Payment of Dues (69 in 1949).

44 Lodges show 113 Suspensions for Non-Payment of Dues (37 Lodges showed 75 members in 1949).

Suspension U.M.C.:

1 in 1950, none in 1949.

Membership:

76 Lodges show an increase in membership, the same number as in 1949.

22 Lodges show a decrease in membership, the same num-

ber as in 1949.

12 Lodges show membership unchanged as compared with 8 in 1949.

13 Lodges had no Initiations as compared with 7 in 1949.

7 Lodges conferred no Degrees at all as compared with 5 in 1949.

Further details may be gathered from the Statistical Table which will appear in the printed Proceedings of this Communication.

DISPENSATIONS issued from May 15th, 1950, to April 30th, 1951:

	1950	1949
To hold joint Installation	11	13
To attend Divine Service in Regalia	34	33
To change Lodge premises	1	1
To change place of meeting	8	6
Special Election and Installation of Officers	12	8
To confer Degrees after receiving Waivers	7	9
To hold District Meetings	13	13
For Modified Examination	1	1
Special Funeral Service	2	1
Conferring Degrees within specified time	2	3
To act as Hosts at Area Meetings	1	0
Special Emergent Meetings	2	0
	94	88

Amendments to By-Laws:

1. Regular Meetings	Lodges, 27, 116, 156
2. Election of Officers	Lodges, 139, 143
3. Annual Dues	Lodges, 2, 11, 40, 49, 100, 114, 134,137
4. Fees	Lodge 7
5. Life Membership	Lodge 140
6. Complete Revision	Lodges, 29 and 124
7. Committee on General Purposes	Lodge 139
8. Business of the Lodge	Lodges, 133, 153

Recorded elsewhere in these Proceedings are the names of 232 brethren who have died during the past year. Their passing is deeply mourned. Included in the list of names is that of M.W. Bro. James Mackie, who died after a brief illness and who will be missed at our Communication.

In amending the Constitution at the 1950 Communication in respect to the Grand Secretary's Office, whereby the Board of General Purposes was invested with the power to appoint an Executive Secretary, to hold office at the pleasure of the Board, it will be of interest to the members to know that the position of Executive Secretary was filled on January 1st, 1951, by W Bro. M. Gordon McKenzie, Past Master of Fort Garry Lodge No. 130.

This change in the Grand Secretary's Office will permit a revision of routines and practices that will react to the benefit of Grand Lodge and the Grand Secretary's Office in particular. It must be realized though, that a sudden over-night change will not be made, as it is not possible to make over and change practices that have been in effect for some fifty years.

The continued growth of Grand Lodge and the increase in activities necessary for the successful administration of the Grand Secretary's Office has shown that the space now occupied is proving to be most inadequate, and I would like to recommend that the Board of General Purposes give some consideration to having the necessary changes or alterations made which would provide additional office space. If a special committee of the Board was appointed to enquire into the matter of additional accommodation for the Grand Secretary's Office, this matter might be brought to a successful conclusion.

In conclusion, may I express my sincere thanks to the members of the Board, Committee Chairmen and all Grand Lodge Officers for their assistance and co-operation during the past year and again my thanks to the Secretaries of the constituent lodges for their hearty co-operation, and I wish to let them know that they are free at all times to consult the Grand Secretary or his staff, should advice or rulings on any matters be needed.

To the members of the office staff, my grateful thanks for their assistance and harmonious relations at all times.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY CODDINGTON,
Grand Secretary.

This report was presented by M.W. Bro. Coddington (1), Grand Secretary. W. Bro. A. E. Boyle (114), moved that it be received and referred to the Committee on the Grand Secretary's Report, seconded by R.W. Bro. H. H. Gray (141). Carried.

REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members,
of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through the Grand Treasurer, presents the following Statements covering transactions for the year ending March 31st, 1951.

General Fund:

Exhibit "A" —Balance Sheet.
Exhibit "B" —Statement of Income and Expenditure.
Schedule "1" —Accounts Receivable.

Benevolent Endowment Fund:

Exhibit "C" Balance Sheet.
Exhibit "D" —Statement of Income and Expenditure.

Beneficiary Fund:

Exhibit "E" —Balance Sheet.
Exhibit "F" —Statement of Income and Expenditure.
Schedule "2" —Statement of Beneficiary Fund Payments.
Exhibit "G" —Consolidated Balance Sheet.

All accounts have been audited and found correct by the Grand Lodge Auditors whose Certificate is appended hereto.

I am pleased to be able to report that the finances of Grand Lodge are in a healthy state. The one remaining Mortgage held by Grand Lodge has been successfully closed out; all insurances held by Grand Lodge are up-to-date; bonds in order, interest collected and deposited to date, details of which will be found in the Auditors' Report.

It has been a pleasure to once again come before you as Grand Treasurer; I have enjoyed my work and my contacts with the Grand Secretary, Officers and Members of our Grand Lodge.

Respectfully submitted,

W. PERCY WHITE,
Grand Treasurer.

This report was presented by R.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4), who moved that it be adopted, seconded by R.W. Bro. W. A. Prugh (113). Carried.

April 25th, 1951.

To the Most Worshipful The Grand Master, Officers and
Members, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.,
Winnipeg, Manitoba.

In accordance with your instructions we have audited the accounts of the Grand Secretary and Treasurer of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M., for the year ended March 31st, 1951, and now present the undernoted Financial Statements.

General Fund:
- Exhibit "A"—Balance Sheet.
- Exhibit "B"—Statement of Income and Expenditure.
- Schedule "1"—Accounts Receivable.

Benevolent Endowment Fund:
- Exhibit "C"—Balance Sheet.
- Exhibit "D"—Statement of Income and Expenditure.

Beneficiary Fund:
- Exhibit "E"—Balance Sheet.
- Exhibit "F"—Statement of Income and Expenditure.
- Schedule "2"—Statement of Beneficiary Fund Payments.

Exhibit "G"—Consolidated Balance Sheet.

Cash in Bank:

The balances in Bank were confirmed by certificates obtained by us direct from the Bank.

Investments:

The securities representing the investments were inspected and found in order.

We would like to take this opportunity to state that we found the records in excellent order.

Yours truly,

ARMSTRONG & WILLIAMS,
Chartered Accountants.

Exhibit "A"

BALANCE SHEET
GENERAL FUND
As at March 31st, 1951.

ASSETS

Current:		
Cash in Canadian Bank of Commerce	$12,482.72	
Cash in Hand (Petty)	16.39	
Accounts Receivable (Per Schedule "1")	260.49	
Accounts Receivable Sundry	101.25	
		$12,860.85
Inventories:		
Supplies and Stock (Valued at)		1.00
Investment:		
Dominion of Canada Bonds 1966—3% Par Value $10,000.00)		10,500.00
Equipment:		
Furniture & Fixtures Regalia Library & Fixtures Valued at		1.00
		$23,362.85

LIABILITIES

Current:	
Library Book Fund	$ 135.00
Surplus (Per Exhibit "B")	23,227.85
	$23,362.85

We have audited the accounts of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba A.F. & A.M. for the year ended March 31st, 1951 and we have obtained all the information and explanations required.

After due consideration we have formed an independent opinion as to the position of the Corporation.

In our opinion, so formed, and to the best of our information, and the explanations given to us, we certify that the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up and sets forth fairly and truly the state of the affairs of the Corporation as at March 31st, 1951.

All transactions of the Corporation that have come within our notice have been within the objects and powers of the Corporation to the best of our information and belief.

ARMSTRONG & WILLIAMS
Chartered Accountants.

Winnipeg, Man., April 25th, 1951.

Exhibit "B"

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE
GENERAL FUND
For the Year Ended March 31st, 1951.

INCOME

Dues	$19,744.50
Initiations	1,480.00
M.M. Certificates	1,426.00
L.M. Certificates	109.00
P.M. Certificates	81.00
Dispensations	180.00
Bond Interest	300.00
Fidelity Bonds (Three year period)	50.65
	$23,371.15

EXPENDITURE

Salaries		$6,980.40	
Masonry in Manitoba (Paper)		1,699.53	
Stock Including Constitutions		1,690.07	
Proceedings and Other Printing		1,663.53	
Grand Lodge Communication		1,538.10	
Grand Master		1,003.77	
Grand Secretary and Grand Lodge Officers		1,553.50	
Library Maintenance		1,362.34	
Rent		1,312.25	
75th Anniversary		1,263.91	
Conferences:			
Banff	$441.70		
Washington	364.13		
All Canada	212.18		
		1,018.01	
Stationery and Office Supplies		569.78	
Postage and Excise		419.67	
Annuity		394.50	
Regalia		331.00	
Audit		300.00	
Masonic Relief Association		117.94	
Fifty Year Jewels		137.00	
Telephone and Telegraph		146.85	
Certificates M.M.		113.40	
Unemployment Insurance		71.14	
Flowers		65.20	
Furniture and Fixtures		46.17	
X'mas Expense		40.00	
Exchange		36.60	
Safety Deposit Box		25.00	
Masonic Research and Education		11.12	
Memorials		4.46	
Miscellaneous		175.06	
			24,090.30
Excess of Expenditure over Income			$ 719.15
Surplus as at March 31st, 1950			23,947.00
Surplus as at March 31st, 1951			$23,227.85

Schedule "1"

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE
GENERAL FUND
As at March 31st 1951

		Amount	
No.	Name of Lodge	Dr.	Cr.
7.	Assiniboine	$ 10.00	
8.	King Solomon	8.25	
11.	Gladstone	10.00	
15.	Corinthian		2.00
19.	Brandon	.75	
30.	Manitou		2.00
36.	Doric		10.20
39.	Birtle	2.00	
40.	Deloraine		2.00
49.	Temple	2.75	
50.	Killarney	14.85	
52.	Hartney	1.00	
54.	Oriental	4.00	
63.	Holland	1.50	
67.	Wawanesa	2.00	
68.	Vermillion	22.85	
70.	Shiloh	3.56	
74.	Elkhorn		2.15
82	Cypress	6.39	
92.	Shoal Lake	4.75	
94.	Hiram		2.00
101.	Binscarth	.80	
102.	Miniota	1.00	
103.	Crescent		2.00
105.	Prince Arthur	5.25	
107.	Lansdowne		2.90
108.	Union	4.00	
110.	Kilwinning	13.70	
111.	Acacia	25.40	
112.	Ophir	4.60	
113.	Tweed		2.00
117.	Strathcona		10.00
119.	Norwood		20.75
120.	Penza	1.80	
121.	St. James		2.00
122.	Roblin	2.00	
124.	The Pas	1.50	
125.	Patricia		4.00
126.	Favel	12.55	
127.	Empire	.75	
136.	Capitol	8.70	
138.	Windsor	2.00	
139.	Beaver	28.00	
142.	Harmony		3.90
143.	Mt. Sinai	1.00	
	Carried Forward	$207.70	$67.90

Schedule "1" (Continued)

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE
GENERAL FUND
As at March 31st. 1951.

No.	Name of Lodge	Amount Dr.	Cr.
	Brought Forward	$207.70	$67.90
144.	Fort Osborne	22.00	
147.	Jubilee	.50	
150.	Cartwright	4.00	
151.	The Dormer	4.59	
152.	Foxwarren	4.00	
154.	Pine Falls	2.00	
157.	Rice Lake	1.70	
U.D.	Fort Prince of Wales	39.00	
U.D.	Ashlar	17.75	
U.D.	Charleswood	19.85	
	Miscellaneous	5.30	
		$328.39	$67.90
		67.90	
		$260.49	

Exhibit "C"

BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND

BALANCE SHEET

As at March 31st. 1951.

ASSETS

	Par Value		
Current:			
Cash in Canadian Bank of Commerce			$ 779.50
Investments:			
Province of Manitoba Debentures	$ 54,000.00	$ 53,876.25	
Province of Saskatchewan Debentures	11,000.00	11,000.00	
Dominion of Canada Bonds	170,200.00	171,166.25	
Canadian National Railway Bonds	35,000.00	35,098.75	
Greater Winnipeg Water District Debentures	1,000.00	1,000.00	
City of Winnipeg Debentures	37,000.00	34,780.00	
			306,921.25
			$307,700.75

LIABILITIES

Surplus (Per Exhibit "D")	$307,700.75
	$307,700.75

We have audited the accounts of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba A.F.&A.M. for the year ended March 31st, 1951 and we have obtained all the information and explanations required.

After due consideration we have formed an independent opinion as to the position of the corporation.

In our opinion, so formed, and to the best of our information, and the explanations given to us, we certify that the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up and sets forth fairly and truly the state of the affairs of the Corporation as at March 31st, 1951.

All transactions of the Corporation that have come within our notice have been within the objects and powers of the Corporation to the best of our information and belief.

ARMSTRONG & WILLIAMS
Chartered Accountants.

Winnipeg, Man. April 25th, 1951.

Exhibit "D"

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND

For the year ended March 31st, 1951.

INCOME

Donations Lodges	$ 2,411.94
Life Members Fees	550.00
	$ 2,961.94

EXPENDITURE

Exchange	4.85
Excess of Income over Expenditure	$ 2.957.09
Surplus as at March 31st, 1950	304.743.66
Surplus as at March 31st, 1951	$307,700.75

Exhibit "E"

BALANCE SHEET
BENEFICIARY FUND
As at March 31st. 1951.

ASSETS

	Par Value		
Current			
Cash in Canadian Bank of Commerce:			
Savings Account		$12,511.49	
Current Account		259.40	
			$12,770.89
Investments			
Dominion of Canada Bonds	$38,900.00	$38,900.00	
Province of Manitoba	10,000.00	10,125.00	
Canadian National Railway	7,000.00	6,973.75	
			55,998.75
			$68,769.64

LIABILITIES

Surplus (Per Exhibit "F")	$68,769.64

We have audited the accounts of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba A.F. & A.M. for the year ended March 31st, 1951 and we have obtained all the information and explanations required.

After due consideration we have formed an independent opinion as to the position of the Corporation.

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ARMSTRONG & WILLIAMS
Chartered Accountants.

Winnipeg, Man., April 25th, 1951.

Exhibit "F"

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE BENEFICIARY FUND

For the year ended March 31st, 1951.

INCOME

Interest—Bonds and Debentures		$11,973.00
Interest—Mortgage		272.39
Interest—Bank		45.34
Premium, Bond Sold		5.00
		$12,295.73

EXPENDITURE

Beneficiary Fund (Per Schedule "2")	$11,908.70	
Postage, Printing and Stationery	75.00	11,983.70
Excess of Income over Expenditure		$ 312.03
Surplus as at March 31st, 1950		68,457.61
Surplus as at March 31st, 1951		$68,769.64

Schedule "2"

STATEMENT OF BENEFICIARY FUND PAYMENTS

For the year ended March 31st, 1951.

No.	Name of Lodge	On Account of	Amount
1.	Prince Rupert	Mrs. W. N. L.	$ 245.00
1.	Prince Rupert	Mrs. N. T.	365.00
1.	Prince Rupert	Mrs. E. L. S.	185.00
2.	Lisgar	Mrs. F. J.	125.00
2.	Lisgar	Mrs. S. A. K.	305.15
3.	Ancient Landmark	Mrs. M. McC.	185.15
3.	Ancient Landmark	F. M. M.	305.15
3.	Ancient Landmark	Mrs. M. G. O.	245.00
4.	St. John's	Mrs. F. J. B.	125.00
4.	St. John's	Mrs. J. W.	365.00
8.	King Solomon	J. H. S.	65.15
10.	Northern Light	Mrs. E. E. B.	50.25
10.	Northern Light	Mrs. E. M. Q.	125.00
14.	Prince of Wales	H. K.	125.15
24.	Neepawa	Mrs. R. A. T.	185.15
24.	Neepawa	T. T.	305.15
25.	Ionic	D. M.	205.00
30.	Manitou	Mrs. V. E. A. W.	155.00
39.	Birtle	J. M. H.	105.00
40.	Deloraine	T. L.	485.15
40.	Deloraine	Mrs. G. R. A.	45.00
43.	Lebanon	Mrs. M. J. Y.	305.15
44.	Oak Lake	Rev. W. B.	245.15
44.	Oak Lake	H. F.	60.00
68.	Vermillion	Mrs. W. H. L.	65.15
68.	Vermillion	Mrs. C. P. T.	90.00
68.	Vermillion	Mrs. H. B.	245.15
70.	Shiloh	Mrs. H. McC.	185.15
74.	Elkhorn	Mrs. M. Y.	25.00
84.	Hamiota	Mrs. I. R.	125.00
86.	Elgin	W. G. S.	45.00
90.	Midlothian	Mrs. M. C.	125.15
90.	Midlothian	Mrs. M. M. W.	245.15
93.	King Edward	Mrs. L. L. D.	305.00
93.	King Edward	Miss M. A.	365.00
94.	Hiram	F. H. M.	305.15
100.	Robbie Burns	W. E. J. B.	245.15
103.	Crescent	Mrs. M. G.	185.15
104.	Reston	G. J. W.	185.15
111.	Acacia	R. G.	365.00
113.	Tweed	Mrs. D. E. E.	125.15
113.	Tweed	Mrs. J. G.	15.00
119.	Norwood	Mrs. V. H.	125.00
119.	Norwood	Mrs. F. A. M.	125.00
119.	Norwood	Mrs. S. C. T.	305.00
129.	—	A. B. A.	305.15
134.	Stony Mountain	Mrs. M. A. P.	365.15
134.	Stony Mountain	Mrs. H. S.	75.00
137.	Lord Selkirk	Mrs. I. R.	245.00
139.	Beaver	Mrs. C. S.	165.00
140.	Meridian	C. S.	365.00
	Carried Forward		$10,233.55

Schedule "2" (Continued)

STATEMENT OF BENEFICIARY FUND PAYMENTS

For the year ended March 31st, 1951.

No.	Name of Lodge	On Account of	Amount
	Brought Forward		$10,233.55
148.	Seven Oaks	Mrs. E. W.	245.00
151.	The Dormer	Mrs. H. S.	365.00
153.	Flin Flon	Mrs. B. H.	365.15
	Benevolence	—	700.00
			$11,908.70

Exhibit "G"

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

As at March 31st, 1951.

ASSETS

	Par Value		
Current:			
Cash in Banks		$26,033.11	
Cash on Hand		16.39	
Accounts Receivable		361.74	
			$ 26,411.24
Inventory Supplies and Stock Valued at			1.00
Equipment, Furniture and Fixtures, Regalia, Library and Fixtures Valued at			1.00
Investments:			
Province of Manitoba Debentures	$64,000.00	$64,001.25	
Greater Winnipeg Water District Debentures	1,000.00	1,000.00	
City of Winnipeg Debentures	37,000,00	34,780.00	
Province of Saskatchewan Debentures	11,000.00	11,000.00	
Dominion of Canada Bonds	219,100.00	220,566.25	
Canadian National Railway Bonds	42,000.00	42,072.50	
			373,420.00
			$399,833.24

LIABILITIES

Current:	
Library Book Fund	$ 135.00
Surplus	399,698.24
	$399,833.24

We have audited the accounts of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M. for the year ended March 31st, 1951 and we have obtained all the information and explanations required.

After due consideration we have formed an independent opinion as to the position of the Corporation.

In our opinion, so formed, and to the best of our information, and the explanations given to us, we certify that the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up and sets forth fairly and truly the state of the affairs of the Corporation as at March 31st, 1951.

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ARMSTRONG & WILLIAMS
Chartered Accountants.

Winnipeg, Man., April 25th, 1951.

MOTION RE MASONIC DISTRICTS

It was moved by M.W. Bro. H. Coddington (1), seconded by R.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe (93), that the Masonic Districts as at present constituted, remain unchanged for the ensuing year, with the addition of Starbuck Lodge to the Third District, Ashlar Lodge to the First District and Charleswood Lodge to the Twelfth District, and that the following four lodges remain under the supervision of the M.W. the Grand Master: The Pas Lodge No. 124, Flin Flon Lodge No. 153, Rice Lake Lodge No. 157 and Fort Prince of Wales Lodge U.D. Carried.

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON MASONIC FLOOD RELIEF

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members, of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through its Special Committee on Masonic Flood Relief beg to report as follows:

The financial assistance rendered the Grand Lodge of Manitoba to aid in the rehabilitation of Lodge buildings damaged by the Flood of 1950, and to brethren of the Craft who were not otherwise provided for, was greater than could be anticipated, making it possible for your Committee charged with the distribution of the said funds to render aid to a greater extent than would have been otherwise.

To date, 53 brethren of the Craft have been assisted in meeting their obligations in expenses incurred in making necessary repairs to their homes. Expended to date to the brethren $13,756.50 and there are still a number of cases to be handled.

To assist in rehabilitating and repairing damage to lodge buildings, your Committee has disbursed so far, $15,567.67. There were 4 lodge buildings affected—2 of the 4 have completed repairs and all claims have been paid in full. The 2 remaining halls are under construction and their completion will entail considerable additional expense.

Your Committee have evidence of further claims or requests, and for this reason wish to state that funds are still available and that all appeals will have the earnest consideration of the Masonic Flood Relief Committee. At and when all settlements have been made, a full report showing receipts and disbursements will be made, together with full details as to names of contributors to this Fund.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY CODDINGTON,
Chairman.

This report was presented by M.W. Bro. H. Coddington (1), who moved that it be adopted, seconded by W. Bro. J. F. Irwin (24). Carried.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members, of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through the Committee on Foreign Relations begs to submit the following report:

There have been no extensions in our Fraternal recognitions during the past year.

We have had most enlightening and at times inspiring communications from a number of Grand Bodies who have been either re-established or organized within the past few years. In all cases your Committee have endeavored to convey the encouragement and sympathetic understanding which we feel is the spirit in which all Members of our Grand Lodge would wish to meet the advances of these courageous and enthusiastic brethren, who in the face of great difficulties and discouragements are endeavoring to advance the cause and establish the principles and influence of our beloved Craft

As pointed out in our Report of a year ago some of these bodies indicate a very encouraging and energetic desire and effort to firmly establish the principles, ideals and practices of

Masonry in the territories for which they have assumed responsibility. Outstanding in this respect is the Grand Lodge of China, of which we have the printed proceedings of their Second Annual Communication held in Shanghai, in February 1951, and the Grand Lodge of Israel. To both of these bodies, as well as others with whom we have been in communication, we feel the brethren would wish to extend heartiest fraternal greetings and good wishes.

The evidence, indicated above, of the virility of Masonry in all parts of the world, especially where it has been impeded through political or religious interference is the inspiring message we wish to leave with you.

Fraternally submitted,

STANLEY H. FAHRNI,
Chairman.

This report was presented by M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (11), who moved that it be adopted, seconded by M.W. Bro. N. J. Black (3). Carried.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENCE

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through its Committee on Benevolence begs to submit herewith its Annual Report for the year ended 31st March, 1951, and including subsequent grants to May 1st, 1951.

During the year, your Committee held four meetings to consider and review renewals and new applications. Of the 46 Beneficiaries at April 1st, 1950, 5 have been removed, 2 voluntarily and 3 by death, 8 new beneficiaries have been added making a total as at May 1st, 1951, of 49. The number of Beneficiaries continue to increase each year, and your Committee is pleased to announce that funds available in the Beneficiary Fund have permitted it to deal generously with those in need of assistance. During the year the amount paid to Beneficiaries was approximately $12,000.00 (see the report of the Auditors for particulars.)

It is with grateful thanks that your Committee makes acknowledgment of the additions to the capital of the Fund during the year, the amount received being $2,411.94 contributed by 49 Lodges, 5 individuals and 1 Chapter . . .details will be found at the end of my report.

Your Committee wishes again to call the attention of Masters and Secretaries of all Lodges to Section 11b (3) of the Constitution respecting grants to Beneficiaries and particularly to the duties of the Secretary in notifying the Grand Secretary as to renewals and the furnishing of full detail for new applications.

Your Committee is pleased to advise that the usual cheque for $5.00 was sent as a Christmas gift to Beneficiaries in receipt of grants from this Fund.

While the duties of your Committee are many and varied, it has been a labor of love and the Committee has endeavored to administer the Funds so that all those in need have been amply provided for.

Respectfully submitted,

W. D. LAWRENCE,
Chairman, Committee on Benevolence.

This report was presented by M.W. Bro. Douglas (4) who moved it be adopted, seconded by M.W. Bro. H. Coddington (1). Carried.

DONATIONS TO THE BENEVOLENT END. FUND—1950-51

Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1	$100.00
Lisgar Lodge No. 2	25.00
Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3	200.00
Emerson Lodge No. 6	50.00
King Solomon Lodge N.o. 8	25.00
Stonewall Lodge No. 12	50.00
Morden Lodge No. 13	25.00
Prince of Wales Lodge No. 14	50.00
Brandon Lodge No. 19	50.00
Glenwood Lodge No. 27	50.00
Manitou Lodge No. 30	25.00
Birtle Lodge No. 39	25.00
Lebanon Lodge No. 43	4.00

Oak Lake Lodge No. 44	20.00
Glenboro Lodge No. 48	15.00
Oriental Lodge No. 54	25.00
Russell Lodge No. 62	10.00
Wawanesa Lodge No. 67	25.00
Crystal Lodge No. 71	25.00
Napinka Lodge No. 77	10.00
Hamiota Lodge No. 84	25.00
Elgin Lodge No. 86	26.00
King Edward Lodge No. 93	100.00
Robbie Burns Lodge No. 100	39.00
Binscarth Lodge No. 101	40.79
Reston Lodge No. 104	100.00
Lansdowne Lodge No. 107	15.00
Swan Lake No. 109	12.00
Acacia Lodge No. 111	25.00
Ophir Lodge No. 112	50.00
Tweed Lodge No. 113	90.00
Norwood Lodge No. 119	50.00
St. James Lodge No. 121	125.00
Transcona Lodge No. 123	25.00
Sprague Lodge No. 132	5.00
Windsor Lodge No. 138	100.00
Beaver Lodge No. 139	100.00
Meridian Lodge No. 140	25.00
Harmony Lodge No. 142	25.00
Fidelity Lodge No. 146	50.00
Seven Oaks Lodge No. 148	50.00
Flin Flon Lodge No. 153	150.00
Pine Falls Lodge No. 154	62.00
Carman Lodge No. 155	25.15
Manitouwapa Lodge No. 156	49.00
Rice Lake Lodge No. 157	83.00
Fenwick Lodge No. 158	50.00
Newdale Lodge No. 159	25.00
Ashlar, U.D.	15.00
Pre-Cambrian Chapter No. 17	10.00
Anonymous	15.00
H. W. Bradden	1.00
Thos. Gibson	10.00
E. W. Grant	5.00
N. Rothstein	25.00

49 Lodges	$2,345.94
1 Chapter	10.00
5 Individuals	56.00
Total	$2,411.94

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Committee on Finance begs to submit the following Report.

Your Committee on Finance during the past year has carefully supervised all matters pertaining to the General Fund of Grand Lodge. Meetings of the Committee were held regularly each month to check and authorize payment of all accounts presented through the Grand Secretary.

Statement of Income and Expenditures as at March 31st, 1951, is as follows:

Income Budgeted	$22,955.00
Income Actual	23,371.15
Expenditures Budgeted	24.116.05
Expenditures Actual	24,090.30
Surplus as at March 31st, 1950	23.947.00
Surplus as at March 31st, 1951	23,227.85
Excess of Expenditure over Income	719.15

Early in the year, it was brought to our attention, that the floor covering and carpets in the Grand Secretary's office were in very poor condition and needed replacing. It was decided a Grade No. 1 Inlaid Flooring would serve the purpose best. This was installed at a cost of $78.10, half of this amount being paid by the Masonic Temple Association.

This year it was necessary to replace the stock of Grand Lodge constitutions. The Committee approved of the action of Grand Lodge to accept Bulman Bros. tender and ordered a supply of 3000 copies of the Constitution, and further in view of the increased cost per book in printing the new constitution, the sale price to the constituent Lodges be $10.00 per dozen or $1.00 per copy.

After careful study and consideration the Finance Committee recommended to the Board of General Purposes for its approval the placing of a Schedule Fidelity Bond to cover the position of Secretary and/or Treasurer of the constituent Lodges with the Globe Indemnity Company through their Agent, at the rate of $3.75 per $1,000.00 and that the constituent lodges be charged at the rate of $4.00 per $1,000.00 to cover overhead expense. This will mean a considerable saving to all the lodges. The minimum amount being $1,000.00 on a graduated scale upwards at the discretion of lodge or lodges, requiring a larger amount.

The Finance Committee approved of the action of the Special Committee for the engaging of an Executive Secretary, along with the amount of salary and plan of remuneration.

During the year the Committee received a communication from the Masonic Temple Association announcing an increase in the rent to $1,361.00 annually or $340.25 quarterly. This represents a 5% increase.

The Finance Committee wish to thank the Committee on Benevolence and appreciate their offer to pay the monthly honorarium to M.W. Bro. Peter T. Pilkey, dating from September 1st, 1950. Also we appreciate and thank them for the amount of $25.00 per month to compensate the Grand Secretary's office for out of pocket expenses for the administration of the Benevolent Fund.

The Committee approved of the modest honorarium per month to M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington, for the period January 1st, 1951 to May 31st, 1951, for his assistance in the Grand Secretary's Office and explaining the work to our new Executive Secretary.

To our Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington, we wish to thank and express our sincere appreciation for his timely assistance. He was ever ready to advise and help from his long experience on this Committee. The duties of the Grand Secretary's Office have been conducted in a very efficient manner. All records to which it was necessary to refer, are well kept and carefully filed for convenient reference. At this time, we also wish to convey our sincere thanks and appreciation to W. Bro. Gordon McKenzie, our Executive Secretary, for his co-operation at all times, and as secretary of the Committee. Also to Miss Margaret Anderson for her ever-ready assistance and co-operation at all times.

The Budget showing the approximate Income and Expenditurec for the year 1951-1952, is attached to this Report and is submitted for your due consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

A. S. McCANN,
Chairman of Finance Committee.

This report presented by R.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4), who moved that it be adopted, seconded by R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat (139). Carried.

BUDGET — 1951-52

INCOME

Dues	19,709.50	21,000.00
Initiations	1,480.00	1,400.00
M. M. Certificates	1,426.00	1,400.00
L. M. Certificates	109.00	100.00
P. M. Certificates	81.00	75.00
Dispensations	180.00	150.00
Bond Interest	300.00	300.00
Bfy. F. Administration Fee		300.00
Fidelity Bond	50.65	
Sale of Supplies		2,000.00
	$23,371.15	$26,725.00

EXPENDITURE

Salaries	6,980.40	7,000.00
Masonry in Manitoba	1,699.53	1,950.00
Stock	1,690.07	1,200.00
Proceedings and other Printing	1,663.53	1,900.00
Grand Lodge Communication	1,538.10	1,700.00
Grand Master's Expenses	1,003.77	1,000.00
Grand Secty. and G. L. Officers Expenses	1,553.50	2,600.00
Library Maintenance	1,362.34	1,500.00
Rent	1,312.25	1,361.00
75th Anniversary	1,263.91	
Conferences: Banff	441.70	500.00
Washington	364.13	400.00
All-Canada	212.18	350.00
Stationery and Office Supplies	569.78	700.00
Postage and Excise	419.67	500.00
Annuity	394.50	300.00
Regalia	331.00	350.00
Audit	300.00	300.00
Masonic Relief Association	117.94	120.00
Fifty-year Jewels	137.00	150.00
Telephone and Telegraph	146.85	150.00
M. M. Certificates	113.40	150.00
Unemployment Insurance	71.14	125.00
Flowers	65.20	75.00
Furniture and Fixtures	46.17	240.00
Christmas Expense	40.00	50.00
Exchange	36.60	40.00
Safety Deposit Box	25.00	25.00
Masonic Research and Education	11.12	25.00
Memorials	4.46	
Condition of Freemasonry		50.00
Area Meetings		1,000.00
Constitution of Lodges		1,000.00
Miscellaneous	175.06	1,000.00
	$24,090.30	$27,811.00
Estimated Income		26,725.00
Taken from Surplus		$1,086.00

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE AND APPEALS

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through its Committee on Jurisprudence and Appeals begs to report that in the term which is now expiring, this Committee has not been called upon in any way to discharge the duties devolving upon it under the Constitution of the Grand Lodge except to pass on By-Laws of several Constituent Lodges and to check proposed Amendments to the Constitution and to certify that the same were in proper form.

The Committee can, therefore, only report that its services have not been invoked during the term which is expiring except in the manner aforesaid, and to offer its felicitations and congratulations to you Most Worshipful Sir and to the Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge, and to express the hope that the ensuing term may be marked by the same harmony as that of the term during which this Committee has served and that the spirit of brotherly love and friendship which has relieved the Committee of its duties may increasingly prevail.

Fraternally submitted,

S. HART GREEN,
Chairman, Committee on Jurisprudence and Appeals.

This report was presented by M.W. Bro. H. Coddington (1), who moved that it be adopted, seconded by M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan (158). Carried.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON INVESTMENTS

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Investments begs to report that during the year ended March 31st, 1951, the par value of Bond Investmens of the Grand Lodge, were increased by $9,000.00, as follows:

By the Purchase, at par, of $10,000.00 Dominion of Canada 3% bonds, maturing 1st September, 1966	$10,000.00

Less by redemption of $1,000.00 Dominion of Canada Bond	1,000.00
	$ 9,000.00
By Funds made available as follows:	
Proceeds of Mortgage Loan on 299 Waverley Street, paid in full	$ 5,725.00
Donations, etc.	3,275.00
	$ 9,000.00

The only mortgage loan investment of the Grand Lodge (that on 299 Waverley Street) was paid in full during the year by the Executors of the estate of the Mortgagor.

Our investments are now confined to Government and Municipal Bonds of unquestionable stability.

Fraternally submitted,

ROYAL BURRITT,
Chairman, Committee on Investments.

This report was presented by M.W. Bro. H. Coddington (1), who moved that it be adopted, seconded by R.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe (93). Carried.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I herewith present my report on Correspondence covering reviews of Annual Proceedings of Grand Lodges fraternally recognized by the Grand Lodge of Manitoba,

A wide divergence of opinions still exists concerning the relaxation of strict physical requirements for petitioners for the degrees.

Masonic education is gaining in importance and progress is being made along this line. Grand Lodges are now conducting programmes to inform the members who have been admitted into the fraternity in recent years. In many ways designs are being drawn up to instruct these new brethren and assign to them tasks which will create a desire to be of service, and retain their interest by giving then an active part in the workings of the Craft. This may be one way of providing against a serious loss in the event of another economic upheaval.

Museums are now getting some attention by Grand Lodges and some thought might be given to our own, small as it is, as there is no doubt that some of the lodges or brethren in Manitoba could make gifts not necessarily all of a Masonic nature.

Fraternally submitted,

H. M. Kerr,
Chairman.

This report was presented by M.W. Bro. H. Coddington (1), who moved that it be adopted, seconded by R.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran (27). Carried.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND REVISION

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through the Committee on Constitution and Revision submits the following reports:

Preparation of the Constitution, prior to the printing of a new supply, was the first duty assigned the Committee. This necessitated the correction of previous errors. In addition, the proceedings of Grand Lodge dating from the year 1935 to the present were checked, so that all Regulations passed by Grand Lodge during this period might be incorporated. Each section was checked against the index, and several changes made in alphabetical sequence. Printers proofs were corrected promptly so that the new Constitution would be available to the brethren at the earliest possible date.

Proposed Amendments received by the Committee were given careful attention and consideration. In certain amendments, changes were suggested. In accordance with the duties of this Committee as set out in the Constitution, we the Committee have reviewed the Constitution and wish to recommend that before a further reprint of the Constitution is necessary, it should be revised. At present we find that one section is a duplication of part of another section, also that in some cases it is necessary to review several sections in order to get the complete and proper interpretation. Re-numbering the sections would also be necessary so that a continuity could be maintained.

The committee wish to remind the brethren that it is their privilege to submit, and our pleasure to receive any suggestions for the improvement of our Constitution.

I take this opportunity of thanking each member of the Committee for their kind co-operation and helpful assistance, also the Board of General Purposes, the Grand Lodge Officers, and the members of the Grand Secretary's Office.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

H. H. GRAY,
Chairman.

This report was presented by R.W. Bro. H. H. Gray (141), who moved that it be adopted, seconded by W. Bro. A. E. Boyl (114). Carried.

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON WAR RELIEF

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through its Committee on War Relief begs to report as follows:

This Committee was authorized by the Board of General Purposes to contribute the sum of $10,000.00 of the funds of

Grand Lodge to the Manitoba Flood Relief Fund toward the monies being raised for the general relief of those citizens who suffered damage to their homes due to the flood.

The actions of the Board in this respect were duly approved by Grand Lodge at its Communication held on June 7th, 1950.

Your Committee recommends that the balance remaining in the War Effort Fund of $788.89 be held intact pending final report of the Masonic Flood Relief Fund, after which a decision can be made as to the final disposition of same.

Fraternally submitted,

BEN C. PARKER,
Chairman.

This report was presented by M.W. Bro. H. Coddington (1), who moved that it be adopted, seconded by R.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4). Carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Cole made announcements regarding the reception of distinguished visitors, and the Grand Representatives of Sister Lodges, both of which would take place at the Evening Session.

CLOSING

The Afternoon Session was adjourned at 4.30 p.m., to be resumed at 8:00 p.m., in the evening.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13th, 1951

Evening Session

LABOR RESUMED

The Grand Master and Grand Lodge Officers, Elected and Appointed, and the Past Grand Masters entered the Lodge Room in possession, the brethren singing the Processional Hymn, "O Master let me walk with Thee."

The Grand Lodge was called from Refreshment to Labor by the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole, at 8:00 p.m.

The Grand Director of Ceremonies, R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat, together with a number of Past Grand Masters were then directed to retire and escort our Distinguished Guests into Grand Lodge:

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan:
R.W. Bro. Guy H. Hummell, J.G.W.
Introduced by M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence.

Grand Lodge of British Columbia:
R. W. Bro. W. R. Trench, P.D.D.G.M.
Introduced by M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence.

Grand Lodge of Minnesota:
M.W. Bro. Einar W. Johnson, G.M.
M.W. Bro. Louis H. Colson, P.G.M.
M.W. Bro. Ralph W. Stanford, P.G.M.
W. Bro. Clinton M. Norton
Introduced by M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas.

Grand Lodge of North Dakota:
M.W. Bro. Harold S. Pond, P.G.M. & G.S.
M.W. Bro. Harry W. Gill, P.G.M.
M.W. Bro. Chas. M. Pollock, P.G.M.
Introduced by M.W. Bro. Maurice S. Donovan.

Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario):
R.W. Bro. N. S. March, D.D.G.M.
Introduced by M.W. Bro. N. J. Black.

The Grand Lodge extended Grand Honors to our Distinguished Guests, after the M.W. Grand Master had cordially welcomed each guest. Their sponsors were then requested to conduct our visitors to the Grand East.

FLAG CEREMONY

The Flag Bearers were escorted into the Grand Lodge by the Grand Director of Ceremonies, R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat. Bro. Major John Dickson, carrying the Union Jack and Bro. Capt. Samuel Gee carrying the Stars and Stripes. The two brethren presented the flags at the Altar and the brethren sang one verse of both God Save the King and The Star Spangled Banner. The flags were then carried to and deposited in the Grand East for the duration of the Sessions.

RECEPTION OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS NEAR THIS GRAND LODGE

The Grand Director of Ceremonies, R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat was directed to present the Grand Representatives of Sister Grand Jurisdictions to Grand Lodge, who in turn presented greetings on behalf of the Grand Lodge they represented.

The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole, welcomeded the Grand Representatives and thanked them for their greetings and hoped that they would correspond with their respective Grand Lodges and extend greetings from this Grand Lodge.

Alberta	**R.W. Bro. Hugh M. Kerr**
Alpina (Switzerland)	**V.W. Bro. W. C. Birt**

Arizona	V.W. Bro. O. L. Best
Arkansas	R.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe
British Columbia	R.W. Bro. J. C. Grant
Canada (in Ontario)	M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence
Chili	M.W. Bro. N. J. Black
Connecticut	M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan
Cuba	W. Bro. J. Morgan Davies
Denmark	M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni
District of Columbia	W. Bro. A. C. Cabel
France, N.G.L.	R.W. Bro. C. A. Midwinter
Georgia	R.W. Bro. W. A. Prugh
Guatemala	W. Bro. Robert Wood
Honduras	R.W. Bro. A. G. Cowan
Idaho	W. Bro. S. J. Sametz
Indiana	R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett
Ireland	M.W. Bro. H. Coddington
Kansas	W. Bro. J. V. Dillabough
Massachusetts	V.W. Bro. P. G. Hawkins
Michigan	R.W. Bro. A. J. Sawatsky
Minnesota	M.W. Bro. Ben. C. Parker
Nebraska	V.W. Bro. N. Rothstein
Nevada	R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat
New Brunswick	W. Bro. R. A. McKenzie
New Jersey	V.W. Bro. W. G. Corbett
New South Wales	R.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran
New York	R.W. Bro. G. A. Woodside
New Zealand	M.W. Bro. S. Burland
North Carolina	R.W. Bro. Robt. Peel
Nova Scotia	M.W. Bro. D. S. Woods
Ohio	W. Bro. A. E. Boyle
Oklahoma	V.W. Bro. D. M. Smith
Panama	W. Bro. W. Dalzell
Philippine Islands	R.W. Bro. John Livesey
Prince Edward Island	R.W. Bro. F. B. Lynes
Puerto Rico	R.W. Bro. G. V. Henderson
Saskatchewan	R.W. Bro. H. H. Gray
Scotland	M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas
South Australia	W. Bro. J. J. Allen
South Dakota	R.W. Bro. Jas. Wardrope
Tasmania	V.W. Bro.,Thos. L. Dodsworth
Tennessee	M.W. Bro. J. S. MacEwing
Vermont	R.W. Bro. F. K. Purdie
Virginia	V.W. Bro. Clarence Hyde
Washington	R.W. Bro. G. R. Mackay
West Virginia	R.W. Bro. David Griffith
Western Australia	V.W. Bro. J. B. McClure
Wisconsin	W. Bro. N. M. Hall

MUSICAL NUMBER

Bro. Ernest Burrows, accompanied at the piano by Bro. N. W. Erskine, then sang a solo which was very well received, and the artists were thanked by the M.W. Grand Master.

ADDRESS OF THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER

My Brethren:

It is my happy privilege as your Grand Master, to extend a sincere and cordial welcome to all who are present at this, our Seventy-sixth Annual Communication. To those, who like myself have been permitted to attend these communications for many years, we must feel grateful to the Great Architect of the Universe that we have another happy meeting here. To those who are attending for the first time, we especially welcome you and urge you to make this an annual event in your lives. To our guests and visitors, you are indeed welcome, and we trust you will have pleasant, happy memories and associations of this sojourn with us.

Since the Adjourned Communication of Grand Lodge last year was held on August the 9th and 10th, my term of office was consequently shortened and without the usual time lapse to prepare for the activities of the late summer and fall. So at times, it was rather strenuous, but withall a very happy and gracious period in my life. I cannot thank you all personally though I would like to do so, but I can try to express to you now, the depth of my gratitude to this Grand Lodge for the privilege of having served you as your Grand Master. It is a very warming experience to meet the brethren from all points of this Grand Jurisdiction and to know their friendship, their fraternity and their kindness. My regret is that I was not entirely free of other responsibilities so that I might have been able to visit more lodges.

I would recommend that a survey be made of all lodges visited by Grand Masters, perhaps over a five-year period, and that those not included, be visited by succeeding Grand Masters, a number each year until all have had such a visitation. At one lodge I visited, a large and prosperous lodge, it was stated that I was the first Grand Master who had visited since fourteen years previous. And I would like to add, that I would have been happy of such an arrangement awaited my term of office; I feel that I would have had this direction as an assistance in serving my Grand Lodge.

May I express my pleasure and gratitude to my brethren for their generous attendance at meetings at which I was privileged to be present, and to the Officers of Grand Lodge, particularly to M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington, Grand Secretary and R.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe, Deputy Grand Master, for their splendid aid and assistance. To my own brethren of Assiniboine Lodge No. 7, thanks for your kindness and support. I owe an especial debt of gratitude to M.W. Bro. Stanley H. Fahrni for the wisdom of his counsel and the pleasure of his company on most of my visitations.

NECROLOGY

Life! We've been long together,
Through pleasant and through stormy weather;
'Tis hard to part when friends are dear—
Perhaps 'twill cost a sigh, a tear:
Then steal away, give little warning,
Choose thine own time:
Say not Good-night—but in some brighter clime,
Bid me Good-morning."

Such is the inevitable destiny of man, such is our faith, such is our hope.

During the past year, our Grand Lodge suffered a loss in the death of M.W. Bro. James Mackie, Grand Master in 1933, who passed away on April 25th, 1951. To his family and relatives goes our deepest sympathy.

We also record our brethren of Sister Grand Jurisdictions who have severed their membership to ascend to the Grand lodge above:

1950

April 6—M.W. Bro. E. L. Morend, G.M., York Grand Lodge of Mexico.

May 15—M.W. Bro. L. M. Morales, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Puerto Rico.

June 16—M.W. Bro. D. J. Muri, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Montana.

June 22—M.W. Bro. W. J. Hagans, P.G.M., Grand Lodge Lodge of Wyoming.

June 30—M.W. Bro. A. B. McClure, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Tennessee.

July 14—M.W. Bro. J. P. Lightfoot, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Texas.

July 17—M.W. Bro. S. C. Romero, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Costa Rica.

July 21—M.W. Bro. W. J. Nash, Jr. P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Alabama.

July 22—M.W. Bro. Albert Knight, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Rhode Island.

August 19—M.W. Bro. R. O. Jasperson, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Wisconsin.

August 21—M.W. Bro. R. N. Gilbert, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Idaho.

August 28—R.W. Bro. R. H. Zimmerman, P.G.T., Grand Lodge of Wisconsin.

September 4—R.W. Bro. G. H. Belew, P.G. Secretary, Grand Lodge of Texas.

September 4—R.W. Bro. E. C. Bird, S.G.W., Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan.

September 12—M.W. Bro. W. F. Weiler, P.G.M., P.G.S. Grand Lodge of Wisconsin.

September 14—M.W. Bro. G. A. Montrose, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Nevada.

September 16—M.W. Bro. L. A. Smith, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Montana.

September 20—M.W. Bro. M. W. Boylan, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Louisiana.

October 1—R.W. Bro. C. H. Roberts, Grand Librarian Grand Lodge of Wyoming.

October 13—M.W. Bro. A. D. Prince, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

October 16—M.W. Bro. C. L. Young, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Colorado.

October 17—M.W. Bro. T. T. Fairchild, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Nevada.

October 29—M.W. Bro. E. L. Branigin, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Indiana.

October 31—M.W. Bro. O. O. Natwick, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Wyoming.

November 3—M.W. Bro. J. B. Owen, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

November 17—M.W. Bro. F. P. Hobgood, Jr., P.G.M. Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

November 27—M.W. Bro. A. E. Emerson, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Washington.

December 4—M.W. Bro. W. L. Stockwell, P.G.M., Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge of North Dakota.

December 18—R. W. Bro. I. T. Tolle, Grand Lecturer, Grand Lodge of Indiana.

December 24—M.W. Bro. J. J. Miller, Hon. P.G.M., Grand Lodge of British Columbia.

1951

January 6—M.W. Bro. Frank Jenks, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Wisconsin.

February 9—M.W. Bro. H. C. Smith, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Montana.

February 13—M.W. Bro. J. J. Phoenix, Sr., P.G.M., Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

February 14—M.W. Bro. C. E. Carrigan, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of West Virginia.

February 21—M.W. Bro. G. L. Swartz, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Nevada.

March 13—M.W. Bro. W. R. Simpson, P.G.M., and Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge of British Columbia.

March 24—M.W. Bro. W. H. Swintz, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Indiana.

March 25—M.W. Bro. H. L. Baum, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Colorado.

March 26—M.W. Bro. F. S. Gould, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Michigan.

March 27—M.W. Bro. F. S. Baillie, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Oregon.

April 1—M.W. Bro. W. S. Cooke, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Texas.

April 4—M.W. Bro. W. W. Williamson, P.G.M., and Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge of Quebec.

April 21—M.W. Bro. D. E. Moulton, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Maine.

May 12—M.W. Bro. J. M. Pearson, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Alabama.

Out of the dusk a shadow,
  Then a spark;
Out of the cloud a silence,
  Then a lark;
Out of the head a rapture,
  Then a pain,
Out of the dead cold ashes,
  Life again.

VISITATIONS

To Sister Grand Jurisdictions:

Owing to the necessity of adjourning the last Communication of Grand Lodge to August 9th, the regular form of visitations to other Grand Lodges could not be followed. The following list is dated from June 7th, 1950 and not included by my predecessor, M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington in his report to Grand Lodge.

The Grand Lodge of Alberta, June 14th and 15th, 1950, as Deputy Grand Master, accompanied by M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni.

The Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, June 21st and 22nd, 1950, as Deputy Grand Master, accompanied by M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni.

The Grand Lodge of Canada (in the Province of Ontario), July 16th and 17th, 1950, as Deputy Grand Master, accompanying M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington, Grand Master.

The Grand Lodge of Minnesota, March 21st—23rd, 1951, accompanied by M.W. Bros. Wm. Douglas, S. H. Fahrni, Harry Coddington, and R.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe, Deputy Grand Master.

The pleasures and profits of these visitations cannot be over emphasized. They were of material assistance to me during my term of office. I received an unexpected honor from the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan in being made an Honorary Past Grand Master, a token of sympathy and understanding of the difficulties and troubles which had beset our Grand Lodge.

DISTRICT MEETINGS

First Masonic District, Winnipeg,	November 29
Second Masonic District, Brookdale,	October 12
Third Masonic District, Rathwell	October 19
Fourth Masonic District Boissevain,	October 5
Fifth Masonic District, Binscarth	October 13
Sixth Masonic District, Deloraine	October 4
Seventh Masonic District, Brandon	October 18
Eighth Masonic District, Miami	October 6
Ninth Masonic District, Dauphin	May 24
Tenth Masonic District, W. Kildonan	October 26
Twelfth Masonic District, Winnipeg	January 29

The very backward season took its toll of attendance in the month of October, but on the whole, the District Meetings were satisfactory and a credit to our District Deputy Grand Masters. It was one of the pleasures of my term of Office to work with these fine and devoted brethren. I also would like to command the work of the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry in their aid to the District Deputy Masters.

OTHER VISITATIONS

Carberry Lodge No. 29, Divine Service, June 18.

Walhalla, N.D. International Picnic, accompanied by M.W. Bros. S. H. Fahrni, W. C. McDonald, R.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe and others, July 9.

Western District of Ontario, Keewatin, accompanied by R.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe, meeting with M.W. Bro. Jas. Maher, G.M., of Ontario, September 11.

Assiniboine Lodge No. 7, Portage la Prairie, Reception of the Grand Master, September 18.

Norwood Lodge No. 119, Divine Service, September 24. On visit of Montgomery Lodge No. 258, St. Paul, Minn.

Robbie Burns Lodge No. 100, Gilbert Plains, September 25.

Flin Flon Lodge No. 153, Official Visit, September 29.

The Pas Lodge No. 124, Official Visit, September 30.

St. John's Lodge No. 4, Winnipeg, Divine Service, October 22. 75th Anniversary Lodge Meeting, October 23. Dinner Celebration, October 24.

Re-dedication Service, Winnipeg, October 29.

Gladstone Lodge No. 11, 70th Anniversary November 1.

Neepawa Lodge No. 24, visit of Cypress Lodge No. 82, November 3.

"The Assiniboine" Lodge No. 114, Winnipeg, Canadian Night, November 7.

St. Andrew's Lodge No. 116, Wellwood, Opening of new Temple, November 10.

Shiloh Lodge No. 70, Roland, 50th Anniversary, November 23.

Royal Arch Masons' Dinner, February 13. Annual Convocation, February 14.

Temple Lodge No. 49, MacGregor, March 5.

Crescent Lodge No. 103, Elm Creek, initiation of four sons of W. Bro. J. C. McIntyre, March 7.

Beaver Lodge No. 139, Winnipeg, Masonic Quiz with Windsor Lodge No. 138, March 8.

Neepawa Lodge No. 24, Neepawa, 68th Anniversary, March 13.

Northern Light Lodge No. 10, Winnipeg, Ladies' Night, March 28.

Fort Garry Lodge No. 130, Winnipeg, Emergent Meeting, March 28.

Twelfth Masonic District, Winnipeg, Ladies' Night, March 30.

St. John's Lodge No. 4, Winnipeg, York Rite Family Night, April 4.

Mt. Sinai Lodge No. 143, Winnipeg, Divine Service, April 6.

Windsor Lodge No. 138, St. Vital, visit from Assiniboine Lodge No. 7, April 9.

King Edward Lodge No. 93, Winnipeg, Ladies' Night, April 11.

Seven Oaks Lodge No. 148, West Kildonan, visit from Assiniboine Lodge No. 7, April 13.

First Masonic District, Winnipeg, Divine Service, April 22.

St. Andrew's Lodge No. 116, Wellwood, Presentation from Gladstone Lodge No. 11, April 23.

Fenwick Lodge No. 158, Brandon, Meeting of Brandon, Tweed and Fenwick Lodges, April 27.

Twelfth Masonic District, Winnipeg, Divine Service, April 29.

Mt. Sinai Lodge No. 143, Winnipeg, Masonic Quiz with Beaver Lodge No. 139, April 30.

Seventh Masonic District, Brandon, Divine Service, May 6.

Treherne Lodge No. 51, Opening of New Temple, May 9.

Rice Lake Lodge No. 157, Bissett, Official Visit, May 12. Divine Service, May 13.

Northern Light Lodge No. 10, Winnipeg, Fellowship Night, May 17.

Area Meeting, Brandon, May 18.

Grand Chapter, O.E.S., June 5.

On May 25th, M.W. Bro. Maurice S. Donovan, represented me on an Official Visit to Ashlar Lodge No. 8, G.R.S. on the occeasion of the 60th Anniversary of the Institution of the Lodge. This was of special interest as Ashlar Lodge received its Charter from the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, under Lodge Number 47 and was under our Jurisdiction until it joined with the newly formed Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan in 1906. My thanks to M.W. Bro. Donovan for this service.

One Area Meeting was held on May 18th, at Brandon. This is a Central Meeting place for the brethren of the Western part of our Grand Jurisdiction. This was proven by the attendance—over 500 brethren taxed the resources of the Host lodges, Brandon No. 19, Tweed No. 113, and Fenwick No. 158. Following the customary dinner, held in the Temple, the brethren met in the First United Church, a Masonic Quiz contest being the principal item of the programme. This provided instruction and variety to the brethren and complemented the main purpose of an Area Meeting—A place where the brethren from several Districts may join together in fellowship.

INSTITUTION OF LODGES

Starbuck Lodge U.D., at Starbuck, August 16.

Charleswood Lodge U.D., at Charleswood, September 20.

Ashlar Lodge U.D., at Norwood, September 22.

Fort Prince of Wales Lodge U.D., at Churchill, September 27.

The Institution of these four lodges was the most important and happiest duty of my term of office. Starbuck Lodge was instituted the week following Grand Lodge. Situated in a fine rural community, the spacious lodge room in a school was taxed to capacity by the brethren from many lodges. The brethren of Starbuck Lodge had worked well and diligently to furnish their lodge equipment and to be in readiness for Institution. I know that the success of their Institution Night helped to give them a good start and this lodge has made splendid progress.

Charleswood Lodge in the suburb of that name, had obtained an army hut from Portage and in their nice community, with much of the work done by the brethren, were converting it into a suitable lodge room and community centre, a very laudable combined project.

Ashlar, the daughter of Norwood Lodge and in the same District had all the facilities of the Norwood Temple placed at their disposal and present a fine example of mother and daughter lodge working together for the good of the Craft.

In these three Institutions I was favored by a large attendance of Grand Lodge Officers and Past Grand Masters.

Fort Prince of Wales Lodge was Instituted on what has become known as the "Northern Trip" when the Grand Master usually attends the Ninth Masonic District Meeting and Visits The Pas and Flin Flon Lodges which are under his direct supervision. Owing to the Institution of the lodge at Churchill I was fortunate to be accompanied by R.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe, D.G.M., R.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran, S.G.W., and R.W. Bro. H. H. Gray, J.G.W. Our Grand Secretary M.W. Bro. Coddington, was unfortunately, unable to be present, being out of the Province at the time. And in that ancient and only sea-port of Manitoba, a thousand miles to the North of us, where we saw the grain of the prairies being loaded on a ship bound for England, it was indeed a happy and historic experience to institute this lodge. Here again the brethren had lovingly wrought and toiled to prepare and equip a suitable lodge room. We could not help but feel that the days of the pioneers were not over. Churchill being a military centre, we were pleased to note that two each of the Officers invested were from the Navy, the Army and the Air Force. This lodge will be under direct supervision of the Grand Master. It may never be a large one, but situated where there is a considerable floating population among whom will always be members of the Craft, it will serve as a Masonic Home in this outpost of our civilization especially to members of the Armed Forces.

CONFERENCES

"BANFF CONFERENCE"

In company with R.W. Bro. Blythe, D.G.M., and M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington, Grand Secretary, I attended the Banff Conference of Western Grand Lodges on September 7, 8 and 9, this being the tenth of such meetings. As most of the brethren are aware, the programme consists of papers on Masonic subjects; a great amount of the benefit derived is from the discussion of these papers. There is a real benefit to your Officers of Grand Lodge who attend, in meeting and discussing the questions and problems of the Craft with Officers of the other Grand Jurisdictions.

The following papers were presented by our delegates: "How can we stimulate interest in the study of our Grand Lodge Proceedings?" by M.W. Bro. Coddington and "Grand Lodge, its necessity, structure and work" by your Grand Master.

"ALL-CANADA CONFERENCE"

The Second Conference of All-Canada Grand Lodges was held in Winnipeg on February 26-27 and 28. The Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master and the Grand Secretary representing this Grand Lodge. However the proceedings were open to other representatives of Grand Lodge and full advantage of this privilege was taken. Owing to illness there were no delegates from our new sister Province of Newfoundland, much to the regret of the Conference. This Conference is similar to our own Western Conference with the exception that it meets every two years only. Papers are presented and again the discussion proves very valuable.

This conference is a most important link in the Fraternity and understanding of the various sovereign Grand Jurisdictions in Canada. If we did not have such a conference, there would be some Grand Lodges with whom we would seldom if ever, come in contact.

R.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe, D.G.M., presented a paper on a subject in which he has had wide experience and has made a notable contribution to our Grand Lodge—"Masonic Education—Are we obtaining results for effort expended?" Needless to say, it was well and aptly presented.

At a meeting of the Canadian Masonic Research Association sponsored by the Conference, M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas our Grand Historian, presented "Early Freemasonry in the Canadian West," which proved to be a very educational paper, to the Western delegates in particular.

Our Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. Coddington very ably looked after the arrangements for the Conference which was held in the beautiful surroundings of the Fort Garry Hotel. Your Grand Master extended the welcome on behalf of this Grand Lodge and Fraternal greetings to the distinguished brethren present.

An autographed copy of "Freemasonry in Manitoba" was presented to delegates. On the evening of February 26, a dinner was held for the delegates at which R.W. Bro. John R. C. Evans of Brandon presented a very inspiring address.

"WASHINGTON CONFERENCE"

It afforded me great pleasure to appoint the Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington to represent me and this Grand Lodge at the Meeting of Grand Masters of North America, held in Washington on February 21-22 and 23. I felt it was the duty of our Grand Lodge to be represented at this Conference so that the members there assembled could be thanked in person for their wonderful contribution to our Masonic Flood Relief Fund.

While at the Conference, the Grand Secretary was given the privilege of addressing not only the Grand Masters' Conference, but also the Masonic Service Association through whose efforts the funds were made available to us. The members of the Board of General Purposes and myself listened with keen interest to the report M.W. Bro. Coddington brought back of the many courtesies extended to him, the interesting papers presented at the meeting and of his meeting with the President of the United States and some members of the Senate. The Grand Secretary in summing up the Conferences he attended at this time, namely, the Grand Masters of Mason's Conference, the Grand Secretaries' Conference and the Executive Meeting of the Masonic Service Association said that the problems of the Craft as discussed then, were similar to those experienced here in Canada and much good could be derived by reading the Proceedings of these Conferences, copies of which are on file in the Grand Secretary's Office.

"LAYING OF THE CORNERSTONE, ST. ALBAN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, WIINNIPEG"

By kind invitation of St. Alban's Anglican Church, Winnipeg, your Grand Lodge Officers had the extreme pleasure of performing the impressive Ceremonial connected with the laying of the Cornerstone of this new edifice. on Sunday, May 13th, 1951. It was with a sense of regret that my absence from the City prevented me, as Grand Master, taking part at this function and I deeply appreciate and thank M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas for acting in my stead.

"Lodges Under the Jurisdiction of the Grand Master" —

I think that every Grand Master has been happy, as I have been, that three lodges, owing to their geographical situation, come under the direct supervision of the Grand Master. Here one senses and enjoys the hospitality of the frontier. These Lodges, The Pas, No. 124; Flin Flon No. 153 and Rice Lake No. 157, at Bissett, are happy and flourishing, a benefit to the Craft and to their communities. Their progress is good, records well kept and finances sound. The Pas Lodge is the Mother Lodge of Fort Prince of Wales Lodge, Churchill. A goodly number of their brethren attended at the Institution of the Daughter Lodge. This meant a round trip of about 1,000 miles, three days and nights away from home. This is the spirit of the North, just as evident in other ways at Flin Flon and Bissett.

"ANNIVERSARIES"

Owing to the disastrous Red River Flood, the consequent disruption of plans, the adjournment of the 1950 Annual Communication, the 75th Anniversary of our Grand Lodge could not be celebrated as originally planned. But on October 29, in the Civic Auditorium, under the direction of M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly, the postponed Service of Rededication was held. This was a splendid and solemn service, broadcast for the benefit of the brethren who could not be present. A Masonic Choir of nearly 100 voices under the direction of Bro. Kerr Wilson, beautified the Service. An exceptionally fine and vibrant message was presented by Bro. Rev. J. Burton Thomas.

On October 22, 23 and 24, I attended the 75th Anniversary of St. John's Lodge No. 4, the first lodge Instituted by our Grand Lodge.

November 1, 70th Anniversary, Gladstone Lodge No. 11.

November 23, 50th Anniversary, Shiloh Lodge No. 70.

March 13, 68th Anniversary, Neepawa Lodge No. 24.

December 10, 80th Anniversary, Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1, Represented by M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington.

May we, as Grand Lodge in Communication, extend to these lodges our congratulations on their Anniversaries —in their strength lies our strength.

"FIFTY YEAR JEWELS"

To the fine veterans of the Craft whose service has extended for half a century, in grateful recognition of such, the following presentations were made:

Bro. John R. Edwards, Neepawa Lodge No. 24, presented by R.W. Bro. Arthur Wilson, at Moose Jaw, Sask., on August 15, 1950.

R.W. Bro. Dr. George A. Woodside, Northern Light Lodge No. 10, presented by M.W. Bro. A. L. Crossin, at a meeting of the Lodge on October 17, 1950.

Bro. Thos. K. Oliver, King Edward Lodge No. 93, presented by M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington, at King Edward Lodge on November 15, 1950.

Bro. Homer A. English, St. John's Lodge No. 4, presented by M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas, at St. John's Lodge on February 7, 1951.

W. Bro. John Forbes, Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3, presented by the W.M. of Star of the West Lodge No. 61, at Nakusp, B.C. on February 28, 1951.

Bro. Josph Thompson, Doric Lodge No. 36, presented by W. Bro. S. A. Restall, at his home on March 11, 1951.

Bro. Garrett G. Dunne, Meridian Lodge No. 140, presented by R.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe, D.G.M., at Meridian Lodge on April 19, 1951.

Bro. Robert Preston, Meridian Lodge No. 140, presented by R.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe, D.G.M., at Meridian Lodge on April 19, 1951.

W. Bro. James Lindsay, Brandon Lodge No. 19, presented by M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole, G.M., at Brandon General Hospital on April 27, 1951..

V.W. Bro. John Gibb, Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1, presented by M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington, at Prince Rupert's Lodge on May 15, 1951.

R.W. Bro. George H. Bray, Morden Lodge No. 13, presented by M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole, G.M., at the 76th Annual Communication, June 13, 1951.

"GRAND REPRESENTATIVES"

I have recommended to the respective Grand Masters of the Grand Lodges concerned, the appointment of the following Grand Representatives of Sister Grand Jurisdictions near the Grand Lodge of Manitoba:

W. Bro. Robt. Wood, Prince of Wales Lodge No. 14, Grand Lodge of Guatemala .... January 12, 1951

V.W. Bro. Jas. D. McKinlay, Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1, Grand Lodge of Kentucky .... May 23, 1951

W. Bro. Percival G. Hawkins, Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3, Grand Lodge of Massachusetts .... January 17, 1951

V.W. Bro. Nathan Rothstein, Tuscan Lodge No. 141, Grand Lodge of Nebraska .... March 22, 1951

R.W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran, Glenwood Lodge No. 27, Grand Lodge of New South Wales .... Commission not yet received

R.W. Bro. Robt. M. Muckle, Lisgar Lodge No. 2, Grand Lodge of Norway .... April 19, 1951

W. Bro. Walter Dalzell, Assiniboine Lodge No. 7, Grand Lodge of Panama .... January 10, 1951

R.W. Bro. E. B. Litz, Rathwell Lodge No. 87, Grand Lodge of Sao Paulo (Brazil) .... Commission not yet received

I have also approved the appointment of the following brethren as Grand Representatives of Manitoba, near other grand Jurisdictions:

W. Bro. Carl Smith, Jr. Grand Lodge of Georgia .... April 19, 1951

W. Bro. Homer C. Anderson, Grand Lodge of Kansas	March 8, 1951
W. Bro. J. Albert Thompson, Grand Lodge of Louisiana	December 19, 1950
W. Bro. Roger A. Vint, Grand Lodge of Massachusetts	November 28, 1950
W. Bro. R. E. Valentine, York Grand Lodge of Mexico	September 1, 1950
R.W. Bro. Wm. H. DeChant, Grand Lodge of New York	March 20, 1951
W. Bro. George L. Buck, Grand Lodge of Washington	March 1, 1951

"OBSERVATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS"

I have been studying lodge notices for four years! In the Greater Winnipeg Area, I find these well set-up and attractive; in some lodges, and this is to be commended, supplemented by a lodge news-sheet. This latter is an intimate tie with the brethren, especially the non-resident members. Throughout the rest of the Jurisdiction, only a few notices are outstanding. I realize that in some lodges owing to financial reasons and lack of printing facilities, little change can be made. But I feel, that in many lodges, any extra effort devoted to making the summons something more than a brief summary of the business to be conducted, to add the personal touch of news of the brethren would be amply repaid. At all District Meetings except the First and Twelfth, I left bundles of assorted Notices, medium good and excellent, of small and large lodges, with the D.D.G.M. requesting him to impress on the lodges he visited the importance of the lodge summons. I would recommend this work be continued. I desire to draw to the notice of lodge secretaries to whom they must send notices other than their own members, See Clause No. 132, Section "a" of the Grand Lodge Constitution. Each Secretary should be circularized after Grand Lodge with these names and addresses. I have read all notices sent me and have found such reading to be of assistance to me since I became elected Junior Grand Warden.

I have emphasized the affinity that exists between the Church and the Craft, and have circularized lodges to attend Divine Service. I am hoping that the dispensations issued for this purpose will show an increase this year and the years to follow.

Freemasonry is an adjunct to the church, may we then as individuals and as an institution, preserve and extend one of our dearest freedoms—"Freedom of Worship."

The letters of lodges read at District Meetings, giving information as to their activities excluding statistics, have shown a very splendid improvement. A very few lodges were delinquent. The information thus obtained shows a surprising number and variety of lodge activities. You have to hear these letters read, to realize how vigorous and active the Craft can be. Freemasonry does not advertise, but the members of the Craft should know what the Craft is doing. I would recommend that this information be fully studied and compiled for the benefit of the Craft.

For many years, I had considered the simple form used in my lodge, on the first meeting night after a death, was not adequate to pay respect to the departed brother. This was especially true when we had lost one of our stalwarts. So a service was devised, a eulogy was given, then a form of remembrance by the Junior Warden, Senior Warden and the Master concluded by a prayer, all based on "The Work." This served our needs. I would recommend that Grand Lodge adopt a suitable Memorial Service for this purpose as a guidance to lodges.

Our Grand Jurisdiction has now passed the 14,000 mark. In this we may well feel a certain pride. But this pride must be tempered with the thought of our responsibility to the new members we admit. This does not diminish when they become Master Masons, but rather we must constantly seek to impart to them that true pride of the Craft which is our heritage, our satisfaction, and our pleasure. Let us then so guide and direct the work of our lodges that our new brethren will find, perhaps each in his own different way, this satisfaction and pleasure. New members do not add to our strength, except financially, unless they become true Craftsmen. This is the responsibility of the individual lodge, especially the Master and his Officers. I have been impressed with the strength and virility of the Craft. I know that splendid progress has and is being made. This aspect of our work is a constant challenge; an incentive for every new set of officers.

"CONCLUSION"

The year under review has brought its own complications to our lodges and brethren who suffered from the ravages of the Red River in flood. Through their own efforts and assistance from Government, private and fraternal sources, they are now able to live their accustomed lives in their cleansed and repaired lodges and homes.

Our Grand Lodge acknowledges with humble thanks, the fraternal assistance and offers of assistance, from other Grand Jurisdictions. Our lodges and brethren have thus been enabled to bridge the gap of need. So the Red River Flood taught us again that Masonic Charity knows no bounds save those of Prudence. We, who were not affected, rejoice with our dispoiled brethren, that life once again is normal with them.

We give thanks to the Great Architect of the Universe that there is still peace in our time. An uneasy peace, with small wars and cold wars; casualties in Korea, where Canadians take their places with the United Nations,—but still peace with us. Canada might be another Korea.

It is the Korean's misfortune that in their land a test of strength is being made. They are the pawns being moved in endless depths of suffering and horror, because one ideaology seeks the vulnerable part in the strength of Democracy, to enter the wedge of world domination. This test has awakened our United Nations to the need of strength to oppose force, of preparedness to resist aggression. And we, who wholeheartedly desire peace, our normal ways of living, and the fruits of peace, must arm again and be so united and prepared that those who are opposed to our way of life will hesitate and we trust, will not dare to plunge the world into a Third Great War, too hideous to contemplate.

Amidst all these alarms, we in Canada have pursued fairly evenly the tenor of our way. From Washington and London come the grave and complex decisions to meet the daily changing needs. But our country will continue to do its part and be ready at all times, as it has in the past, to place its manpower and resources, for the saving of democracy. My brethren, we must all hope and pray that the Most High will preserve our peoples and give peace in our time. To do so conscientiously, we must all discharge our duties toward Him with fervency and zeal.

The Craft has its part to play in world events; as well as in our daily lives. To the brethren who will seek, they will find in the Craft, a rock of strength, a unifying and benevolent force in their daily lives—satisfaction and contentment in their contacts with their brethren. They will find the best, and gradually eliminate the worst that is in all men. "Man was born to associate with his fellow man." Where better can that be done than in the Craft. The bounties of the Craft are endless, a source of quiet pride and happiness. There is a beautiful and significant sentence in the work of the Institution of a lodge that I would ask you to accept as your pattern in Freemasonry. "I trust that you will have but one aim, to please each other and unite in the grand design of being happy and communicating happiness."

Our forefathers in the Craft wisely endeavored to lay the foundation of a universal brotherhood, regardlss of color, race or religion. Our progress has been slow towards this ideal.

A very great and significant change is now taking place in the relationships of Nations, of men of divers colors and creeds. Freemasonry can make its contribution in world affairs by carrying out the intentions of its founders. What a common bond it can be in the meeting of men of diverse colors and nationalities. Prejudices of race, of color, and of religion are breaking down. May the Craft be ever in the lead in this most desirable understanding of different peoples. And this, my brethren, begins at home.

We will soon begin another Masonic year; new Officers will govern this Grand Lodge. I cannot wish them anything better than that they should enjoy the same co-operation, understanding and brotherly love that has been my experience while in office. For all this, and for so much more, may I again extend my thanks.

"My new-cut Ashlar takes the light
    Where crimson blank the windows' flare.
By my own work before the night,
    Great Overseer, I make my prayer.

If there be good in that I wrought,
    Thy hand compelled it, Master, Thine—
Where I have failed to meet Thy thought,
    I know, through Thee, the fault was mine."

R.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe (93) expressed the thanks of the brethren for the splendid address given by the M.W. Grand Master, and moved, seconded by R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat (139), that the Address be referred to the Committee on the Grand Master's Address. Carried.

PRESENTATION OF FIFTY YEAR JEWEL

TO R.W. BRO. GEORGE HERBERT BRAY—MORDEN LODGE No. 13:

The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Cole, asked R.W. Bro. G. H. Bray to approach the Grand East, whereupon he invested him with a Fifty Year Jewel. R.W. Bro. Bray replied with appropriate thanks that the Grand Master had seen fit to so honor him at this Annual Communication.

PRESENTATION OF COMMISSIONS

The M.W. Grand Master was pleased to present Commissions to the following brethren as Grand Representatives of Sister Jurisdictions:

R.W. Bro. R. M. Muckle, Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Norway.

R.W. Bro. C. A. Midwinter, Grand Representative of National Grand Lodge of France, this being a renewal Commission.

M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington, Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Ireland.

RECOGNITION OF MASONIC SERVICE

V.W. BRO. FRANK RALPH SUTTON, RANK OF HONORARY PAST DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER:

As a mark of appreciation for his faithful work to the Craft in general and to Rice Lake Lodge No. 157 (Bissett) in particular, the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Cole conferred upon V.W. Bro. Sutton, the Honorary Rank of Past District Deputy Grand Master and presented him with his Certificate testifying to this action.

In a very appropriate manner, R.W. Bro. Sutton, thanked the M.W. Grand Master and the Grand Lodge for this honor.

BROTHER JOHN FRY MAIDMENT

Brother John Fry Maidment, was asked to approach the Altar where he was received with Grand Honors thereby officially recognizing the work he had done for the members of the Craft during the past 22 years, in the course of his duties in the Winnipeg General Hospital, where he has made a point of visiting Masons who were patients.

WORSHIPFUL BROTHER JOHN FERGUSON IRWIN

It was regularly moved by M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan (158), and seconded by R.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe (93), that W. Bro. J. Ferguson Irwin, of Neepawa Lodge No. 24, at Neepawa be appointed an Honorary Member of the Board of General Purposes in recognition of his long and faithful service as an Elected Member of the said Board of this Grand Lodge. Carried.

M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence (25) spoke of the absence of three revered Past Grand Masters and moved, seconded by M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (11) that letters of regret for their enforced absence through illness, and floral tributes be sent to M.W. Bros. George Hunter, Wm. J. Major and Peter T. Pilkey. Carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

On behalf of the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole, M.W. Bro. Maurice S. Donovan, made an announcement regarding the Installation of District Deputy Grand Masters Elect, and requesting the retiring District Deputy Grand Masters to be present with their regalia of Office on Thursday, so each one might invest his successor.

ADJOURNMENT

Grand Lodge was called from Labor to Refreshment at 10:10 p.m by the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole, to reconvene at 10.30 o'clock the following morning.

Second Day

Thursday, June 14th, 1951

Morning Session

LABOR RESUMED

Grand Lodge was called from Refreshment to Labor at 10.30 a.m., by the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole.

ADDRESS OF THE GRAND HISTORIAN

In the address which your Grand Historian delivered in 1948, he intimated in passing, that there was a story to be told concerning Seven Oaks—that it was a long story and we would consider the episode on another occasion. As we say in Lodge, that was "unfinished business." Today we will consider this matter and direct our attention to the Massacre at Seven Oaks, which took place in the year 1816.

The name "Seven Oaks" has been preserved in Masonic circles by designating a Lodge by that name; this Lodge is numbered 148, on our Register. Then, in the adjoining locality there is a school and an avenue so named and a simple monument marks the historic spot close to the main highway just north of the City limits.

We should regard Seven Oaks in a different sense than merely the place where the Governor of the Colony and his retinue were slain. The events marks a critical period in the history of this Province—when instead of becoming a thriving settlement of industrious citizens it was practically abandoned. But, let us review the situation by first creating and filling in the proper background of our story.

The West had been the habitat of the aborigine from time immemorial; then came the explorer, followed by the fur trader. In the days when "fur was king" different commercial interests sent their servants to trade with the nomadic tribes who roamed the plains. At the beginning of the nineteenth century the fur trade was chiefly in the hands of the Hudson's Bay Company and the North West Company. A real battle for supremacy raged for several years and the rivalry developed into bitter enmity between the respective interests.

At the time we are dealing with the Earl of Selkirk, had a very large interest in the Hudson's Bay Company. His Lordship evolved a scheme of settlement whereby many of the dispossessed highlanders in Scotland might take up land and develop the country.

He chose as the site of his experiment an area in close proximity to the Forks of the Red and Assiniboine Rivers. This radical change in the routine of life at a place where only the wandering natives passed to and fro in their hunting expeditions did not meet with approval from the partners of the North West Company. They visioned an end of the fur trade monopoly and community settlement was the last thing they wanted in the territory. The North-westers decided to take extreme measures in order to discourage emigration. An effort was made to poison the minds of the Indians and the half-breeds—intimating that an influx of settlers would spell disaster as far as the natives were concerned. The Indians would have none of this propaganda but the half-breeds were of a different type, were easily aroused and susceptible to gifts and bribes which were soon made available.

Lord Selkirk was not dismayed by the opposition thus aroused and went ahead with his plans. On 26th July, 1811, an advance party of servants left Stornoway for York Factory. This group reached their sea destination after a voyage of 61 days, on 24th September, too late in the season to attempt an inland journey to Red River. They were obliged to spend the winter on the bleak shores of Hudson's Bay and it was not until 30th August, 1812, that some arrived at Red River. When the original party embarked at Scotland, thirteen months before, it numbered 35 souls. At the time they prepared to leave York Factory on their inland journey in June, 1812, the number of effectives had dwindled to 24. By the time Red River was reached only 19 were available to begin the work of preparation. Then, quite naturally, there was no provision to maintain even this small number at the Forks over the winter—no shelter—no food in reserve—therefore all but 5 were obliged to proceed to Pembina. That, in brief, is the story of the first party, none of whom had been sent as settlers.

The second party, which formed the first group of actual settlers, sailed from Stornoway in June 1812, and reached York Factory on 26th August. They arrived at Red River on 27th October, but, inasmuch as there was no accommodation at The Forks, they were obliged to go to Pembina for the winter. They remained there until May 1813. Before this party left Scotland, Simon McGillivray, the principal partner of the North West Company, advised his associates in the interior the absolute necessity of preventing the colonization of Red River, because its success would strike at the very existence of the fur trade. In the course of their first winter at Pembina, the North-West people continually interfered with the settlers. They also endeavored to inveigle the indentured servants of the colony to change their allegiance. Efforts were also directed at the newcomers and much dissatisfaction and distrust was engendered. In due course this pressure brought the desired result as we will discover.

On 28th June, 1813, about one hundred prospective settlers sailed from Stromness for Red River. Disaster met this—the third party—almost from the start of the journey. Typhoid fever broke out on board ship and one of the first victims was the ship's surgeon. In the midst of this trouble the Captain, instead of sailing his vessel into York Factory, dumped his human cargo at Churchill, where, in the bleak solitude of the Artic, a miserable lot of settlers spent the winter. They were obliged to erect huts as shelter and on account of the ravages of the typhoid epidemic the number was reduced to 80 souls by the time they moved away in the following spring. They established winter quarters about 15 miles upstream and named the spot Colony Creek. Come spring, 21 men and 20 women, headed by a piper, walked overland to York Factory. This third party finally arrived at Red River in the summer of 1814, and augmented the others who had come previously. Up to this time the number of settlers who had arrived under the auspices of Lord Selkirk would not total 200 all told. This, in brief is the story of the original settlers who came to Manitoba, between 1811 and 1814. They had little opportunity to become established in houses and homes of their own because everything had to be produced by their own effort and more than half the elapsed time had been spent outside the boundaries of the settlement. Added to these facts was the attitude of the North West Company officers and servants. As an example of the temper of the North West people, let me quote from one letter written from Portage la Prairie, by Alex. MacDonell to John MacDonald, on August 4th, 1814: "You see myself and our mutual friend Mr. Duncan Cameron, so far on our way to commence open hostilities against the enemy in Red River; much is expected from us if we believe some, perhaps too much. One thing certain that we will do our best to defend what we consider our rights in the interior. Something serious will undoubtedly take place; nothing but the complete downfall of the colony will satisfy some, by fair or foul means, a most desirable object if it can be accomplished. So here is at them with all my heart and energy."

This is the first overt act of the conspiracy which, within less than a year, by scheming deception, lured the majority of the settlers away from Red River. Out of a population just under 200 mark, no less than 133 men, women and children embarked in open boats, canoes, etc., on June 18th, 1815, and sailed away from Red River. They arrived at Holland's Landing, 40 miles north of Toronto, on 6th September. With repeated assurance by the North West people as to the superior advantages of settling in Upper Canada; also the protection of that Company, and a readiness to furnish passages free of expense to everyone, the settlers to the number already stated, finally succumbed to the alluring promises made by this conniving company.

The dispersion was not a complete success. Twelve settlers with their families, along with one Canadian, also with a family, in all about forty persons, refused to be driven out of the country. This small group of loyalists to the Selkirk cause were compelled to abandon their homes at Red River and sought refuge at the north end of Lake Winnipeg. (Jack River). They vacated their modest dwellings on 27th June, nine days after the main dispersal had taken place. The following day, "all the colonial buildings were burnt down, consisting of four houses, forming what was called the fort, and five houses standing near the barn and stables, these last were also burnt at the same time together with the mlll, also all the settler's houses to the number of about eighteen.

The destruction of the settlement seemed complete. Every building had been razed to the ground, and all the settlers driven from Red River. In the words of Simon McGillivray, one of the principal partners of the North West Company, "the colony has all been knocked on the head."

Less than four weeks after the loyalists had left Red River for their temporary residence at Lake Winnipeg, they were rejoiced when Colin Robertson arrived at Jack

River on 22nd July. He had been sent from Montreal by Lord Selirk to arrange a settled state of affairs in the new colony, but in the interval, the dispersion had taken place. However, he set about his task and on 19th August, he led the body of loyalist settlers back to Red River.

The impact of Colin Robertson's action in thus bringing these people back to Red River does not seem to have been properly appraised by our historians. The settlers when driven from their homes were confronted with the necessity of making a decision and three alternatives were under consideration. (1) Settle at Moose. (2) Return to their native Scotland and take with them the party of new arrivals then en route from York Factory. (3) Return to Red River and re-possess their former homesteads. The latter was Robertson's plan and it prevailed. Had another decision been arrived at by this small group of pioneer settlers we might well ask in wonder, what then would have been the story of Manitoba?

Robertson left no doubt as to his attitude toward the North West Company whom he blamed for the dispersion and destruction of the young colony. Two months after he reached Red River he turned the tables on the Company by seizing Fort Gibraltar and held it in possession for a few days. He cautioned the servants to be on good behavior especially in their conduct toward the settlers and with these admonitions he allowed them to re-possess their fort. The warning was of little avail. In the month of March, 1816, because of frictions and the strained relationship between the two factions, Robertson again seized or rather assisted in seizing Fort Gibraltar a second time. Later, on 10th June, he caused every building, as well as the stockade surrounding the establishment to be torn down. The heavy timbers were rafted to Fort Douglas, a little way down the river, and were used to rebuild what had been destroyed the previous year. What was useless for their purpose was burned. The claim was made, in justification for the destruction of Gibraltar, that such action would prevent it from serving as a rendevous for the excited half-breeds then in the pay of the North-Westers.

In the meantime, the party en route from Scotland, referred to previously, arrived at Red River on the morning of 3rd November, 1815, under the charge of Robert Semple, Governor. This party numbered 84, all told, thus with the loyalists the total number of settlers with their families approximated 124, more or less. Because of the catastrophe which occurred in June, when all the dwellings had been destroyed by fire, and as provisions and grain were in very short supply, the entire population were obliged to proceed to Pembina and spent the winter in the huts and other buildings erected by the original party in 1812.

Returning in the Spring, on 30th April, 1816, with high hopes that they would soon be busy on the lands allotted them as homesteads, they found the whole locality in a very disturbed condition. As we have already indicated, Robertson had seized the North West Fort and early in June it had been dismantled and completely destroyed. Reports had come in to the effect that in some of the outside posts of both the Trading Companies, plunder and attack had taken place. The bitter opposition of the North West Company against the Selkirk plan of colonization was growing and the seeds of discontent were sown among both Indians and half-breeds. The Hudson's Bay Company's post on the QuAppelle River had been plundered by a large marauding party of breeds attached to the opposition Company. Perhaps the temper of the time might be judged from the contents of this letter sent from QuAppelle River, on 13th March, 1816 by Cuthbert Grant to J. D. Cameron:

"I received your generous and kind letter last fall by the last canoe. I should certainly be an ungrateful being, should I not return you my sincere thanks. Although a very bad hand at writing letters, I trust to your generosity. I am yet safe and sound, thank God, for I believe it is more than Robertson or any of his suite dare to offer the least insult to any of the Bois-brules, although Robertson made use of some expressions which I hope he shall swallow in the spring; he shall see that it is neither fifteen, thirty, nor fifty, of his best horsemen that can make the Bois-brules bow down to him. The Half-breeds at Fort des Prairies and English River, are all to be here in the Spring, it is hoped we shall come off with flying colors, and never to see any of them again in the colonizing way in Red River in fact, the traders shall pack off with themselves also, for having disobeyed our orders last spring, according to our arrangements. We are all to remain at the Forks to pass the summer, for fear they should play us the same trick as last summer, of coming back; but they shall receive a warm reception. I am loth to enter into any particulars, as I am well assured that you will receive a more satisfactory information (than I have had) from your other correspondents; therefore, I shall not pretend to give you any; at the same time begging you will excuse my short letter. I shall conclude, wishing you health and happiness."

Yours, etc.

Later in the spring this group of half breeds from Qu Appelle and district proceeded to Portage la Prairie where, according to the record, they were instructed "to blockade the fort of the colony and cut off their provisions and water by placing themselves on both sides of the river, so as to oblige them to surrender from famine."

We come now to the afternoon of 19th June, 1816, the time about 5 p.m. The band of half breeds from Portage la Prairie were seen crossing the prairie to the west of Fort Douglas. A man in the watch-house at the Fort raised the alarm that something out of the usual seemed to be taking place. Governor Semple and some others looked through spy-glasses and noticed the party on horseback were armed. The Governor informed his people "we must go and meet these people; let 20 men follow me." About 26 accompanied him along this road leading through the Settlement, at the rear of the houses which were located between the road and the river. (This road is the main highway north of Winnipeg). On the way they met several excited settlers running toward Fort Douglas calling as they went, "The Half-breeds, the Half-breeds."

Approaching the scene of excitement, the party under the Governor were confronted by the entire body of the riders on horseback, who quickly fanned in half moon formation. These Half-breeds were hideously painted and dressed in the garb of Indian warriors although it was later discovered that ony one tribesman was numbered in the band of ruffians.

Governor Semple and his followers had gone forward in single file until stopped by the mounted group. One of the latter advanced toward Semple and insolently demanded "what do you want?" The Governor replied "what do you want?" To which came the answer, "we want our fort!" He was told, "to go to your fort."

This conversation took place in close proximity, and in speaking, the Governor took hold of the gun held by the mounted Half-breed. Without warning, a shot from another direction sounded; then in the twinkling of an eye, a general discharge of arms took place. There was and has been considerable doubt regarding the firing of the first shot, whether it had been acccidental or deliberate. We are still left to guess the answer. In the matter of minutes bedlam broke loose and all but five of the six of Semple's party were either killed or wounded. If a victim was not killed outright then one or other of the painted fiends despatched him without mercy. Guns, bludgeons, knives, every kind of weapen was brought into play. Few had been killed at the first onslaught, but most of the party had been wounded. Then, the mounted breeds galloped upon the helpless men and barbarously ended their existence. In less time than it has taken me to tell these details the casualties numbered 21. One of the first to go was Governor Semple, closely followed by Capt. Rogers, R. E.; Jas. White, Surgeon; Alexander

McLean, Settler; J. P. Wilkinson, Secretary to the Governor; Lieut Holt and fifteen servants. From the ranks of the attackers one man belonging to the North West Company was killed and one other wounded. These are the simple facts connected with the massacre at Seven Oaks in 1816.

As we have already stated the complete destruction of the colony as a settlement was the sole and undisguised object of this dastardly outrage. With the death of their Governor, along with other officers in authority, the prospect confronting the settlers was dismal and foreboding. In the course of the evening, following the massacre. threat was made that a further attack would be made on Fort Douglas whither the settlers had gone for safety and protection. On this occasion, Cuthbert Grant, leader of the Half-breed band, is reported to have told the refugees in the fort, "you see the little quarter we have shown you, and now if any further resistance is made, neither man, woman or child, shall be spared." He ended his harangue by adding that if the colonists would give up all public property they would be allowed to depart and a safe escort provided. Let me add, even this latter promise was not carried out.

With the forces of the North West Company coming out of the affray as victors the penalty imposed upon the settlers was similar to that of the previous year, i.e abandon the settlement and make no further effort to re-establish it. Thus, for the second time within the short space of twelve months. the colony was broken up. On the afternoon of 22nd June, 1816, three days after the massacre we have just recorded, the entire populace of the settlement left Red River and proceeded to the north end of Lake Winnipeg, where they were obliged to spend the winter of 1816-1817.

Perhaps we can, in a measure, vision what the complete dispersion of an entire community really meant if we examine a brief reference to the events as written in the journal of one who was present. "The third day after the action (Seven Oaks) the whole embarked in 7 boats and were met about 20 miles below, by 2 agents and 16 proprietors of the North West Company, in 8 large canoes filled with well armed men, who detained them (the settlers); and Mr. McLeod, the principal agent ordered that every box or desk in company should be broke open and every written document taken away, which was directly done. He then ordered that 5 of the colonists and settlers should be made prisoners and be prevented from having the least conversation or communication with any person, not even the wives of two who were lately married ....after being kept two and suffering many indignities they were at last permitted to proceed. A part of the provisions that was in the agreement was with held and they had scarcely a bare subsistence to serve them to the outlet of Lake Winnipeg."

But things were soon moving in another part of the country. In the early part of 1817, and while the dispossessed settlers still remained at the north end of Lake Winnipeg, a group of the De Meuron regiment which had taken part in the war of 1812, was engaged by Lord Selkirk in the dual role of soldier—settler for Red River. A party of the De Meurons had accompanied Lord Selkirk to Fort William from which point a detachment under the command of D'Orsonnes, were sent in advance by way of the old War Road of the Sioux toward Red River. They reached Fort Douglas, which had been held by the North-Westers since the Seven Oaks massacre, on 10 January, 1817. It was a wild, stormy night. The soldiers approached the fort from the west, placed scaling ladders against the palisade, made entry without any difficulty, overpowered the men who occupied Fort Douglas, and, as Miles Macdonnell recorded in his journal, "we had our flag hoisted at sunrise."

News of this bold adventure spread in all directions and information telling of the re-possession in due course reached the displaced settlers still at the north end of Lake Winnipeg. Instructions were sent that they might return to their Red River homesteads. Protection would be provided by the De Meuron soldiers—forty-six of them, all told—who had been allotted lands on the east side of the Red, opposite Fort Douglas.

We might mention, in passing, that these soldiers were without individual initiative, they were hard drinkers, accustomed to a life of idleness and much given to brawling; they were poor material for an agricultural colony in the making. By their habits they earned a rather sad reputation at the hands of the thrifty, industrious, Scottish settlers. Let us, however, give credit where it is due, and pay tribute to their re-capture of Fort Douglas by which act they paved the way for the settlers to come back to Red River.

When news that they could come back home reached the settlers at their Lake Winnipeg encampment, the country was still in the stern grip of winter. Without delay a few energetic souls donned snow shoes and gallantly marched toward their homesites. This advance party made the necessary preparations for the reception of the main body, but the month of June had arrived before the homeward trek was completed.

Lord Selkirk, under whose auspices the scheme of settlement at Red River had been instituted, came in person to visit the site and discuss its development with his people. He arrived in the third week in July and remained at Red River until 9th September, 1817. Under his immediate supervision the affairs of the colony were put in order and thence forward, life at Red River took on a more permanent form. Trouble and annoyance from the opposing fur trading company had ceased. It is doubtful if we could find a parallel to equal the experiences of the early Red River Settlers, particularly during the twenty-four months, June 1815 to June 1817.

Like other occurrences of a similar kind the massacre at Seven Oaks, had its aftermath so far as the savage Half-breeds, who were the blood thirsty villains were concerned. It may be my Calvinistic background, but to me the aftermath is a sure indication that their Nemesis followed them through the years, and the final chapter in their lives looks very much like a predestined ending. Doubtless others might apply the Old Testament law of an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth. As to a conclusion of any thought or theory, I an content to give the story as I found it and each may reach his own decision.

These Half-breeds of the early days of the nineteenth century were just as nomadic in their life and habits as the aborigine tribes who roamed our western plains. Whether it was a dread fear of the consequences following the tragedy or simply a natural desire to move on to fresh fields we do not know. However, the group disappeared from Red River immediately after the Seven Oaks massacre. One might reasonably enquire, who were these villains? From the records which have been preserved, one family group stands out in conspicuous focus—the Deschamps family. The senior member of this ferocious band was Francois Deschamps—a former interpreter in the service of the North West Company. He was a Canadian who had three sons (Half-breeds) all of whom had taken a most active part at Seven Oaks. One of the boys boasted, during the evening following the massacre, that he had killed six while a younger brother claimed he had despatched four. It will be recalled that the whole invading pary who descended on Seven Oaks were painted and garbed as Indians. Recognition was extremely difficult. Some days prior to the attack, James Sutherland, of the Hudson's Bay Company, met the band, en route, and he definitely identified several who were known to him, despite the masks. Among the band he named, Gardepie, and Deschamps, Canadians: Cuthbert Grant, Rimo, La Sark, Bostonais, Grosstill

(Grosette), Francois Deschamps, Jr. I mention these names because most of them belonged to the family group responsible for the murders at Seven Oaks.

Well, as already stated, this band disappeared from the local scene. Fortunately they went far, far away. We can find no reference whatever to any one of the group in most of our local books of early history. In reading the Journal of Lapenteur, a trader at Fort Union on the Missouri river, some years ago, I came across this revealing item under date, October 1834:

"There was a Half-breed family named Deschamps, consisting of ten persons, among whom were the old man and three grown sons who were in the habit of trapping, and were the very worst subjects, and another Half-breed family, headed by Jack Rim (Rimo). He had two son-in-laws and a son 19 years of age, the whole group hunted together. . . . It was customary on their return from a hunt to celebrate with a glorious spree, if the hunt was big so was the spree. On one such occasion the usual fight ensued and Jack Rim's son had his brains knocked out with the butt of a gun by one of the numerous and wicked Deschamps family. This disturbance alarmed the trader who, on the advice of another official, put laudanum in the whiskey. This had the desired effect and soon the entire squad was sound asleep."

In the year following, 1835, on their return from a hunt a conspiracy was gotten up to kill old man Deschamps and his eldest son, Francois. The conspirators were Baptiste Gardepie, the two son-in-laws of Jack Rim, and Mr. Laferrier (trader and storekeeper), the latter a great hypocrite. Let me read to you the recorded story of this nefarious plot.

"As Deschamps used to come to our room almost every morning after breakfast, the killing was to take place there. For this murderous work a rifle barrel was placed in the chimney corner, and Laferrier put his dirk under his pillow, for Gardepie, who was to commence the job. Francois Deschamps, the son, was about 27 or 28 years old—a fine stout young man; he was then interpreter for Fort Union, and ate at the table with the boss and the clerks. Soon after breakfast the father and son came into our room, where the conspirators were already assembled. It was a fine July morning and I, knowing nothing of this, had taken a walk alone down by the garden which was already progressing well, about three quarters of a mile from the fort. After some conversation, which naturally took place before coming to the point, Gardepie got up and addressed the old man, saying, 'Deschamps, I want to know now whether you will make peace or war with me; you have frequently attempted my life and I find it necessary to ask you this question. now, what is your answer " To which, old Deschamps replied. 'I will never make peace with you as long as there is a drop of blood in my veins."

"Some blood was quickly out of his veins, for Gardepie, immediately seized the rifle barrel and struck a fatal blow on the old man's head. Then he turned round to the son, with another blow, knocked him down. But this wound not being mortal one, Francois made out to creep under one of the beds, where he begged for his life until the conspirators took pity on him. Gardepie was induced to desist from killing him, but, not thinking that the father had been mortally struck, he reached out for the dirk and ripped the old man's bowels out—which operation was not necessary. All this was done in a very short time. Returning from the garden and approaching our quarters I observed that the curtains were down, which was an unusual thing, and when I came to open the door I found it locked on the inside. At my request it was immediately opened to admit me, but directly closed again. The door being shut and curtatains down, I could not at first discover what had taken place, but soon saw a sheet spread on the floor and knew there was a corpse under it. On looking about I saw young Francois Deschamps sitting at a table with his head held down in his hands, which were still all bloody. No one else was in the room but Gardepie, who said, 'I have settled with the old man, and I would have done the same with this coward here, had he not begged so hard for his life.' I made no reply, though, of course I pitied the poor fellow who was so near the corpse of his father, and uncertain as yet of his own life. It was a sad sight. Mr. Laferrier, who, as I have already remarked, was a great hypocrite and had thus acquired his popularity among the Indians and Half-breeds, had gone to the fort with the pipe of peace, to try to bring about a reconciliation between these two families, and in this he finally succeeded. The old man was buried the same day, and to all appearances everything went on as usual.

"......... It was thought that this peace would last, as Jack Rem's (Rim-Rimo) family was considered revenged by the death of the old man, and had thus been made nearly equal in strength to that of the Deschamps. What afterwards induced us to think the peace would be kept was that Gardepie went on a beaver hunt with the three young Deschamps' and never offered to molest them. Michael Gravel and Little Frenchmen was the names of Jack Rem's sons-in-law who went the following fall (1835), on their hunt on Milk River, which abounds with beaver, and, like all beaver trappers, fell in with a war party of Blackfeet, by whom they were both killed. This accident reduced Jack's family considerably and enabled the Deschamps to show their wicked dispositions again. . . .

"...........In the latter part of June (1836), the Company's steamboat arrived. After her departure it was customary to have a big drunk throughout. At this time there were about 60 to 70 men at the Fort. The Half-breeds who were at Fort William with some of our own men also got gloriously drunk. About midnight old mother Deschamps said to her children, 'now my sons, if you are men you will revenge the death of your father.' This struck them favorably, and being in liquor they immediately killed old Jack Rem, swore they would also kill all the Half-breeds whom they considered his friends, and even threatened the whites in the fort. This took place about midnight, when the spree in Fort Union had subsided and all hands had gone to sleep. I was awakened by loud raps and voices at the door, which latter I could distinguish to be those of females crying, 'open the door quick—they are fighting—they have killed my father.' They were the widow of Michael Gravel and her mother, the wife of Jack Rem. I had not shut the door before eight or ten of our men came running in great fury, swearing vengeance against the Deschamps family, all of whom they would destroy, big and small. They raised all hands, and in a body went to Mr. McKenzie, of whom they demanded arms and ammunition in angry tones, declaring they were determined to put an end to the Deschamps family. This demand was made in such terms that Mr. McKenzie could not well refuse, fearing the consequences, and not being himself much averse to their intention. Having been furnished with a cannon, muskets and ammunition, they went to work. But in the first place, all the horses and all the Company's effects were removed from the fort, and before the fight commenced the Deschamps were required to turn out their squaws, who were Assiniboine women, whom we did not want to kill for fear of the tribe.

Thinking the fight would not take place as long as they kept in the squaws, they refused to turn them out. After allowing them what time we thought necessary to make up their minds on this subject, the order to fire was given. As we had a cannon, we supposed they would not go into the bastions, and as we found their shots were only fired out of their own dwellings we aimed altogether at these houses. When they found we were determined to put our threats into execution they turned out their squaws, who told us that we had already killed one man, but that it would be difficult for us to destroy them all, as they had dug holes under the floors, where our balls could not reach them. Yet we kept constantly firing into the houses, until at last the old lady herself came out with the pipe of peace, begging for her life and that of her children; but she was shot through the heart in stepping out of the fort (shot by a Halfbreed by name of J. Mayotte). As she was holding her pipe straight in front of her when she was hit, she fell precisely on top of it, at which the boys exclaimed in great mirth, 'there's an end to the mother of the devils.' In the meantime our firing was kept up; but few shots were heard from them, and at last some of our party ventured into the fort, thinking they were all killed; but that was a mistake. They commenced firing again, and our side made a double quick retreat, but one (Mayotte) of them was shot through the neck as he was stooping through the small door of the fort. It was by this time getting rather late in the day, and it was feared that the fight might continue until night under cover of which they could make their escape, which would prove serious to the Company in future; and as the bloody work had been begun, it was obliged to be accomplished. In order to do so it was thought proper to set the fort on fire, with the view of burning them in it; but for fear that some might escape through the fire, the hunter of the fort and several other good horsemen were mounted on the best horses to run them down like buffalo, should they make such an attempt. These precautions having been taken, a fire was started: as the fort was dry it soon began to blaze, and in a little while the houses were consumed.

"We saw one man run out of them and take refuge in the east bastion, into which the cannon was fired several times, but the ball went through without other damage than making its hole. Meanwhile the fire stopped, having burned only one side of the fort and the houses: so the bastion stood with this individual inside it, and was dangerous to approach. One of our men (Vivie) wanting to display his bravery, went near it to get a good shot through the cracks; but this cost him his life. A shot through the heart made him jump up about six feet in the air and fall dead on the spot, on which a loud yell was heard from the man in the bastion. The firing on our side was renewed faster than ever, until it was found no shot was fired out of the bastion, when some of the boldest of our party determined to see if the individual inside it was dead or alive. On entering the bastion they discovered him backed up in one corner; they immediately fired and he fell dead. This was Francois Deschamps, the last survivor as all the rest had been burned or shot in the houses. After he was brought out we found that he had broken his wrist and was out of ammunition. Had he not been thus disabled and defenceless he would probably have killed several of us and made his escape. The men thought he might go, like the balance, into flames; so they threw him into the fire with one of his brothers, and both were burned to ashes. A hole was dug, into which the old woman was put without any ceremony. Thus the battle ended about sunset, in the death of eight of the family. The youngest son, about ten years of age, after being wounded, was suffered to come out; but he died the next day Such was the end of this troublesome family, after which peace and comfort were enjoyed."

That is the story of Seven Oaks. In conclusion, let me briefly summarize and submit a few comments. In June 1816, twenty-one lives were lost for no other reason than that a few selfish fur traders were jealous that their monopoly would disappear of the land was opened up for settlement. But, as time has proved, by a faithful devotion and loyalty, the cause of the settler ultimately prevailed. Twice in a very short time the entire community had been dispersed and their homes and lands ravaged. Twice they came back—the second time to lay the foundation of the Manitoba we know today.

As for the avaricious fur traders, they, by their senseless opposition dissipated their finances for a cause they lost. Five years after the affair at Seven Oaks the North West Company was absorbed by the Hudson's Bay Company. This ended the commercial strife that had existed for more than forty years.

The third party associated with the massacre at Seven Oaks was the band of savage Half-breeds who, as we have learned, perpetrated the atrocities and then disappeared from the local scene. How they met their untimely fate, 20 years later, has been told without any attempt to change one word.

All in all, the settlers came off victorious because they got what they came to Red River for—happy homes and prosperous fields. We honor ourselves by recalling in our own time, to our own generation, the men of other days, their experiences and the contribution made by them to the building of a new country. Let us therefore accept the responsibility to labor as they labored, with forward looking thoughts, while establishing more firmly the work of their hands in this our own beloved Manitoba.

WILLIAM DOUGLAS,
Grand Historian.

The Grand Historian M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4), was thanked sincerely by M.W. Bro. Cole, Grand Master for a most interesting Address.

It was then moved by M.W. Bro. Ben. C. Parker (4), seconded by R.W. Bro. J. J. Bannerman (93), that the Committee on Masonic research and Education be furnished with copies of all the Addresses of the Grand Historian for compilation into book form.

GREETINGS FROM DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

R.W. Bro. Guy Hummel, Junior Grand Warden of The Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, spoke to the brethren assembled conveying the sincere fraternal greetings of his own Grand Lodge, as did R.W. Bro. N. S. March, a D.D.G.M., from the Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario); both men expressed their gratitude at the fine reception accorded them.

ADJOURNMENT

The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole called the Grand Lodge from Labor to Refreshment at 12:10 p.m. to attend the Luncheon given under the auspices of the Past Masters' Association of Greater Winnipeg.

GRAND LODGE LUNCHEON

A complimentary Luncheon was provided for the out-of-town brethren and Distinguished Guests by the Past Masters' Association of Greater Winnipeg, supported by the Lodges in the First and Twelfth Masonic Districts and Kildonan, The Dormer and Seven Oaks Lodges in the Tenth District.

Luncheon was served at 12:30 noon, with R.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray (141), President of the Past Masters' Association in the Chair. The guest speaker was Bro. Rev. J. Burton Thomas, Rector of St. Matthew's Anglican Church. Winnipeg, who gave a very forceful and thought-provoking address. Bro. Thomas was introduced to the gathering by R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat (139), and sincerely thanked for his inspiring address by W. Bro. A. E. Duff (130).

R.W. Bro. Gray, President of the Association proposed the Toast to the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole, who thanked the President in a few kind words. Bro. George Kent gave the brethren some enjoyable entertainment with his fine solos.

R.W. Bro. John Norquay (2), thanked the Past Masters' Association and through them the host Lodges, for the fine banquet, the most interesting address by Bro. Thomas and the enjoyable solos of Bro. Kent.

Thursday, June 14th, 1951

Afternoon Session

LABOR RESUMED

Grand Lodge was called from Refreshment to Labor at 2.30 p.m. by the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CONDITION OF FREEMASONRY

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes, through the committee on the Condition of Freemasonry begs to submit the following report:

The work of this committee has been greatly assisted by the very splendid co-operation of the District Deputy Grand Masters, who submitted all their lodge reports, as requested, before the end of March. There was only one exception, but owing to the circumstances, this was beyond the control of the District Deputy Grand Master concerned.

From the information obtained, we are pleased to advise that Freemasonry in this Grand Jurisdiction is in a sound and healthy condition, and that harmony prevails.

Owing to the unfortunate necessity of having to postpone Grand Lodge Communication last year, this committee was only able to hold two meetings with the District Deputy Grand Masters. These conferences are held to acquaint the new representatives of the Grand Master with their duties and to help them with the experiences of former years. They have been enthusiastically attended, and have been of great assistance to the brethren concerned. We recommend they be continued particularly the one held on the day immediately following the close of Grand Lodge.

The attendance at our postponed 75th Annual Communication was less than for some years, but this is readily explained by vacation time, late farming season, and effects of the flood. As we return to normal conditions it is most important that the Master of each Lodge make arrangements for a good attendance at the Annual Communication. Each Lodge should at least be represented by its principal officers, and as many of its Past Masters as possible.

For the reasons mentioned, most District meetings were held later than usual, which in many cases affected adversely the attendance. However, on the whole, they were interesting and informative.

Your committee was particularly pleased to note the improvement in the lodge reports submitted by the secretaries at the District Meetings. These reports have been summarized, and it is astonishing to find more than a hundred different avenues of work in operation. The activities have been divided under three headings.

1. The work in Lodge.
2. Benevolence, Charity, Good Deeds.
3. Entertainment, Refreshment, Social.

It is impossible in this report to go into details, but we would suggest every brother throughout the jurisdiction read again "The Craft at Work" in the April and May issues of Masonry in Manitoba.

It is also evident from a perusal of the reports that the Secretaries are not recording all the activities they could. The ones omitted might be the very ones that would appeal to and interest other lodges.

We again recommend to all lodges the formation of study groups, to give their members an opportunity to make progress in Masonic knowledge. We commend St. John's Lodge No. 4, for having formed such a group this year.

Lodge attendance over the entire jurisdiction is still disappointing. A decided impovement could be effected if a larger number of lodges were given more energetic and enthusiastic leadership by their Masters.

Lodge meetinge need to be organized and planned well in advance There is increasing evidence that the Craft is interested in informative Masonic addresses and papers given in Lodge. In this regard we commend Worshipful Brother Stuart Parker, the Master of St. John's Lodge No. 4, who has arranged for speakers at the majority of his meetings this year. In addition he has had a number of these addresses printed and distributed to all the brethren of his Lodge. We also congratulate Worshipful Brother A. H. W. Cook, Master of Fidelity Lodge No. 146, who has three different members of his Lodge give short papers at each regular meeting. The attendance at both these lodges have shown an increase.

Whilst some lodge meetings have nothing out of the ordinary to interest the brethren; others suffer from trying to do far too much in one evening. It is very important to commence the meetings on time, and close them as soon after 11 p.m. as possible. It is also impossible for the brethren to assimilate and digest two addresses in the same evening.

There is still evidence in some lodges that the degree work is not up to the required standard. This could be improved if the lodges concerned would arrange to hold frequent rehearsals. These meetings, however, should not be called at times which would interfere with attendance at Divine Service. The aim should be sincere; impressive and instructive degree work.

In a few cases the final charge has been omitted from degrees, and given at a later date. Each degree should be completed properly the same evening.

In many lodges the small attendance when degrees are being conferred leaves a very poor impression on a candidate. The ceremony of initiation is a unique occasion, and never again will the new brother experience quite the same thrill or feeling. This is "His" night, and full emphasis throughout the whole evening should be placed on this fact. At the festive board he should be placed at the right of the Master, and a toast directed to him.

There are still too many lodges who have made no provision for special instruction to new members beyond the usual routine preparation. Great care should be used in choosing instructors during the period of "apprenticeship" as it may make the difference in later years between a "Grand Master" or a "demitted" Freemason. The sponsors should take a close personal interest for at least a year after initiation.

All lodges should arrange that their regular officers occupy their positions when the representative of the Grand Master in the person of the District Deputy Master pays his official visit. He should enter the Lodge early in the evening, and the whole of the meeting should be directed to this official visit, of which each lodge is advised well in advance. The absence of any of the regular officers should be fully explained, and this, of course, would apply particularly to the three principal officers, whose absence without a sufficient reason would be a grave breach of courtesy to the Grand Master and their own Lodge.

Many Masters continue to lose the opportunity of giving their brethren some very interesting, instructive and profitable evenings by failing to make full use of the material in our printed Annual Grand Lodge Proceedings, and in the addresses given at the Banff Conferences.

The majority of lodges might well develop a choir composed of brethren of their own lodge. Special music is obtainable for use in ceremonial work, and is particularly effective and impressive when degrees are being conferred.

We regret to note the increasing tendency over the whole jurisdiction of a large number of brethren allowing their dues to become a year in arrears. This is not a healthy condition, and the secretaries should continue to make a determined effort to encourage payment in January of each year.

In reviewing the condition of the lodges not up to the average there is nothing the matter that a little more effort, enthusiasm, energy and imagination on the part of the Masters, Past Masters and officers could not correct. Prompt opening; not too late in closing; frequent rehearsals; regular attendance of all officers at all lodge meetings; well planned meetings; interesting and informative Masonic talks and papers in lodge; a few special nights; clearness and proper intonation of the Work; all of this would undoubtedly result in a better attendance and interest on behalf of the members.

The reports submitted on the lodges under dispensation have been most satisfactory, and we therefore recommend that charters be issued to the following: Ashlar, Charleswood, Starbuck and Fort Prince of Wales.

Your committee appreciates very much the splendid co-operation of the District Deputy Grand Masters, and thanks them for the contribution they have made.

We recommend the following be given the rank of Past District Deputy Grand Master, in recognition of their prompt and efficient services during their term of office:

R.W. Bro. F. C. Davey (93)	First Masonic District
R.W. Bro. C. F. L. McLeod (108),	Second Masonic District
R.W. Bro. H. A. McLeod (87)	Third Masonic District
R.W. Bro. Douglas Stroud (36)	Fourth Masonic District

R.W. Bro. W. A. Burnett (101)	Fifth Masonic District
R.W. Bro. A. F. Johnston (40)	Sixth Masonic District
R.W. Bro. F. R. Willmott (113)	Seventh Masonic District
R.W. Bro. A. C. Orchard (90)	Eighth Masonic District
R.W. Bro. C. F. Shaw (100)	Ninth Masonic District
R.W. Bro. A. C. Pritchard (148)	Tenth Masonic District
R.W. Bro. J. Reid Glenn (144)	Twelfth Masonic District

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the committee on the Condition of Freemasonry.

R. E. EMMETT,
Chairman.

This report was presented by R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett (121), who moved its adoption, seconded by R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat (139).

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MASONIC RESEARCH AND EDUCATION

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.
Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes, through its Committee on Masonic Research and Education, begs to report as follows:

There is general agreement that one of the most important endeavours of your committee is the continuance of the publication of our "Masonry in Manitoba." The material contained in that monthly publication made available to all Masons in our Grand Jurisdiction is of very high calibre—well composed and most definitely of an educational value. We should all be very proud that this publication emanates from our Grand Jurisdiction. Our attention has been called to the fact that many favorable comments have been received not only from Manitoba but from other parts of Canada and the United States and from Great Britain. It is gratifying too, to learn that some of the material contained in that "paper" has been the subject of discussion at Lodge Meetings. This Committee is most fortunate in having as Editor M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas, who does not spare himself in his efforts to make this publication a really outstanding one by the submission of worthwhile Masonic subjects.

This Committee two years ago published a set of five booklets which were intended to be used by all lodges for the better education of the petitioners to our lodges. Many lodges are making use of these booklets and are finding them to be of much value for the intended purpose. However, it is regretted that not all lodges are taking advantage of the good work which this series of booklets performs. It is the hope of this Committee that all lodges will ultimately use these booklets and thereby render a worthwhile service to their petitioners. Perhaps it should be rementioned that booklet No. 1, is presented to the petitioner when he has been accepted by ballot. The 2nd, 3rd and 4th booklets are presented after the conferring of the E.A., F.C. & M.M. degrees. The 5th booklet is for the guidance and instruction of the Worshipful Master. Your committee is convinced that if all constituent lodges made use of these booklets, our new brethren would have a much better understanding of our beloved Craft and such better understanding would undoubtedly generate an honest desire for further knowledge.

Last year your Committee set up a panel of speakers to address lodge meetings, by invitation, on Masonic subjects. It is gratifying to find that there is an increased demand for Panel Speakers. It was not an easy matter to meet all invitations because the speakers are business men who are not always available. All requests have, however, been met and your Committee is indeed indebted to all speakers and in particular to R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett, who has journeyed to many lodges in Manitoba and delivered outstanding addresses. It is known that other brethren have been good enough to act as speakers at different lodges but these assignments were not cleared through this Committee. The Committee's thanks is given to these brethren. Lodges which requested Panel Speakers have voiced their appreciation of this comparatively new endeavour of your Committee.

The work of our Library has increased considerably this year. Our Grand Librarian has completed a survey of the books on the shelves and a complete reorganization has been made. Books have been segregated under different headings and it is proposed that a list of books available will be printed and forwarded to constituent lodges. It is hoped that this catalogue will be the medium whereby there will be a greater demand for books on given subjects. Our Grand Librarian, R.W. Bro. George A. Woodside, continues to render material for numerous addresses on Masonic matter to brethren requesting this. He is "up to his ears" in books and what makes him most happy is to have these books in circulation.

The Library had a great many non-Masonic books on the shelves and your Committee decided to distribute those where best needed. These books are beng put to good use by the recipients. Our ultimate goal is to have only Masonic Books in the Library and to purchase additional supplies of books when we can afford to do so.

It is of interest to mention that Lisgar Lodge No. 2 has in their possession the original volume of the Sacred Law used by the first Masonic Lodge in Manitoba. This Bible is of great value to us as Masons and arrangements are being made to preserve this Bible in Grand Lodge archives. Our Library contained an old Bible which had been donated by a Brother. This Bible was sent to Lisgar Lodge to replace the much older Bible, a gift which was very greatly appreciated by the members of that lodge.

It is regretted that your Committee was only able to arrange for one area meeting. This meeting will be held in Brandan on Friday, May 18, with the three Brandon Lodges—Brandon Lodge No. 19, Tweed Lodge No. 113 and Fenwick Lodge No. 158—acting as Host Lodges. Dinner will be served and a Quiz Programme will be conducted by R.W. Bro. H. H. Gray, Junior Grand Warden and R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat, Grand Director of Ceremonies. Two teams of 5 brethren each will compete in this Quiz Programme and awards will be presented to each of the members of the winning team. These prizes will be copies of M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas' interesting book "The History of Freemasonry in Manitoba" duly autographed by the author and also by the M.W. Grand Master. The questions deal with only Masonic Ceremonials and Constitution. This programme has met with a great deal of favor in the Greater Winnipeg area during the winter months.

The report of R.W. Bro. Dr. G. A. Woodside is appended to and forms part of this Committee's report.

The many activities mentioned in this report are intended to assist lodges to better inform the brethren, and to increase attendance. If that can be accomplished we have indeed fulfilled our objective.

J. J. BANNERMAN,
Chairman.

REPORT OF THE GRAND LIBARIAN

To R.W. Bro. John J. Bannerman, Chairman of the Committee on Masonic Research and Education.

Dear Sir and R.W. Brother:

There is an old saying with which we are all familiar, that "Time Flies," but here in the Library, trying to get things arranged and re-ordered according to the attitude of a strange mind, it seems that time passes like a succession of lightning flashes. No sooner is one thing seemingly done, than a dozen more are clamoring at your service door for admission and attention.

We have had a very busy year in the Library for many reasons As you are aware, we have had in our stacks, a large number of books bequeathed to us by interested brethren, books that had no Masonic connection, occupying shelf room, gathering dust and never in circulation. As these were better adapted to Public Libraries, and we were in need of more space, we deemed it advisable to dispose of these to some newlv formed public library, and accordingly sent them to Norway House, Norwood, etc.

As these books had a place and a number in our Catalogue, it meant the making of a new catalogue, with numbers according to the change in the Library. This necessitated a lot of work as we wanted the new catalogue to contain the marking of the Stack. the number of the shelf and book in each stack believing that this would eventually simplify the Librarian's work. Our Library now consists of eight departments as follows: Circulating, Reference, Historical, Jurisprudence Codification, Literary Sets, Rhetoric, Miscellaney and selection of Hand-books, and By-Laws, comprising a total of 1600 volumes of Masonic literature or connected therewith.

During the past year our Library has been a very popular place, accommodating and seeing an average of four men per day. Many of our brethren have taken advantage of the noon or lunch hour for browsing, reading, social interests and gathering material for addresses. There is a manifest interest in Masonic teaching and philosophy.

It will be of interest to you to know that the Librarian has conduced some thirty researches on topics outside the commonplace and has assisted in drafting some sixteen addresses. This he considers an important feature of the Librarian's work and of great interest and value to Freemasonry.

The books are in constant demand to meet quizzes, instruction classes, preparation of addresses, toasts and a general desire for mental furnishing on Masonic lines.

There seems to be a general hesitancy on the part of Masons to discuss Masonry or make the fundamental principles known in fear that they are violating some obligation of secrecy. We sometimes forget that Masonry is the philosophy of life, trying to obtain a knowledge of the great secrets of God, of immortality, of our own being and destiny, and the organization of life to this end. Life is not a blind alley. We pass through childhood and nature, and all the avenues of intelligence up to God. This is the "Summum Bonum" and goal of our being children in the image of God.

The borrowing of books has been in fair demand. The return of same proportionately good. We have loaned about 150 books from September 1st and about 100 have been returned. Getting the books back is almost a vexing problem. The fact that the Library is the members' Library seems to constitute a right of possession. The Librarian's difficulty is in selecting the book which the borrower wants, as oft times, such books are not yet in print. But the Library has served the membership well and the Librarian is well pleased with the courtesy which is generally manifest.

The selection of books is a very difficult task. Masonic subjects constitute a very limited field. Large firms, on account of this, do not carry Masonic books in their catalogues which compels one to travel devious ways in trying to find books for his shelves. On account of this, and for one other good reason we have not added the number or character of books we would like. We welcome the suggestions which our brethren make from time to time and in his way, we feel our Library becomes more attractive and helpful. Your Librarian has given both time and effort in selecting lists for reading, suitable for different classes of applicants, and the problems they are facing and seeking to solve.

The year has been pleasant, and the co-operation all that the Librarian could desire, and more than he deserved, and is grateful to all.

Fraternally submitted,

GEORGE A. WOODSIDE,
Grand Librarian.

This report was presented by R.W. Bro. J. J. Bannerman (93), who moved its adoption, seconded by R.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe (93).

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL DEAD

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

In the midst of our busy Communication, we pause to pay a loving tribute and to honor the memory of those of our brethren who since we last assembled, have passed from our sight. Not dead, but passed on into the next phase of their immortal life, entered into their reward.

"Death, be not proud, though some have called thee
Mighty and dreadful, for thou art not so;
For those, whom thou think'st thou dost overthrow, die not
One short sleep past, we wake eternally,
And Death shall be no more;
Death, thou shalt die.

(John Donne-1617),

While we have this all-sustaining faith, we, as natural men, mourn the departure of our brothers. We shall miss them, for each, in a greater or lesser degree, has made his contribution to our Order and to the building of a better world. Yet we are bereaved of our brethren.

"The face of Death is toward the Sun of Life,
His shadow darkens earth; his truer name
Is "Onward," no discordance in the roll
And march of that Eternal Harmony
Whereto the worlds beat time, tho' faintly heard
Until the great hereafter 'Mourn in hope.' "

—Alfred Tennyson.

Our departed brethren walked in that way of Life mapped out by God. Their lives were lived with a firm belief in the unfailing and unbounded love, wisdom, goodness and majesty of God, The Father, Almighty Maker of Heaven and Earth. They have left us fragrant memories that will not pass away. The thought of these, our brothers, inspires us. We now recite the names of some of those who were with us, one short year ago and whose memory we revere this day:
Past Grand Master:

M.W. Brother James Mackie.
Officers and District Deputy Grand Masters:

R.W. Brothers Russell J. Timms; Sidney Edward Lang; Daniel McLean; William McLellan; Alfred Phillips; Thomas

Lovell Bishop; William Elwood Wiltsey.
V.W. Brothers:

Ernest Baldwin Complin; Mitchell Cobban; Donald Bruce Burn; David Henderson Taylor; Alexander S. Pildrem.

Past Grand Master—1
Officers and D.D.G.M.'s—12
Master Masons—219
TOTAL—232.

"I heard the voice from Heaven, saying unto me; Write, from henceforth blessed are the dead which die in the Lord; Even so, saith the Spirit, for they rest from their labors."

Almighty God, with whom do live the spirits of them that depart hence in the Lord, and with whom the souls of the faithful, after they are delivered from the burdens of the flesh, are in joy and felicity, we praise and magnify Thy Holy Name, for all our brothers who have finished their course here, and have kept the Faith. Give us grace to follow their good examples.

Look, we beseach Thee with compassion upon those who are now in sorrow and affliction, Comfort them O Lord with Thy gracious consolation. Make them to know that all things work together for good to them that love Thee; and grant them evermore sure trust and confidence in Thy Fatherly care.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK HUGHES,
Chairman Committee on Fraternal Dead.

This report was presented by R.W. Bro. F. Hughes (1), who moved its adoption, seconded by R.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4).

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officer and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worship Sir and Brethren:

The Committee on the Address of the Grand Master begs to report as follows:

It was Emerson who said in substance that every institution is the elongated shadow of one man. Certainly no organization rises higher than its leadership. The leadership of our Grand Lodge during the year now drawing to a close has been of such a character that the lodges through the Jurisdiction have been inspired to continued progress and the accomplishment of greater things.

While becomingly modest in his address, the Grand Master has so driven himself through the year as to accomplish in ten short months what few men are able to approach in a full calendar year. His visitations numbering over sixty, are but a small indication of the time spent and sacrifices made to perform one branch of his duties. We rejoice with him at the honors conferred upon him by Sister Grand Jurisdictions.

Fitting reference was made to the loss sustained by our Jurisdiction as well as those in other parts of the Masonic world by the passing of eminent brethren who distinguished themsedves in service to the Craft and to humanity. In particular we mourn with him the passing of our own beloved M.W. Bro. James Mackie.

Your Committee congratulates the Grand Master on the distinction of being privileged to institute no less than four new lodges and set them to work under Dispensation. We rejoice with him in this notable achievement, particularly in respect to Fort Prince of Wales Lodge at Churchill, where we know that the formation of a Masonic Lodge is the answer to prayers of our brethren for more than a decade, at that distant rampart of civilization. May the efforts of the brethren in these new lodges be crowned with success.

We concur with the Grand Master in supporting the Banff Conference, the All-Canada Conference and the Canadian Masonic Research Association, and endorse the presentation of a copy of "Freemasonry in Manioba" to each delegate to the All-Canada Conference.

Your Committee is thrilled that after a lapse of years, the Grand Master was invited to lay the cornerstone of a great church, but regret that the notice given him, only nine days, was so short that he had to delegate that important duty. It should be remembered that the Grand Master's itinerary is made out many weeks in advance. We congratulate the Grand Master on the flourishing condition of the three, now four lodges under his personal care. We commend his kindly reference to those Masons in this Jurisdiction who have passed the half century mark of continuous Masonic endeavor.

Your Committee commends the Grand Master's unflagging zeal so well communicated to his Officers and brethren in overtaking the time lost, plans disrupted and ravages done by the Red River Flood and for the successful celebration, though postponed, of the 75th Anniversary of this Grand Lodge.

We are heartened by the Grand Master's declaration of the affinity existing between the Church and the Craft and to the need of every lodge to attend Divine Service.

We concur in the Grand Master's recommendation that a short Memorial Service be prepared for use by a lodge at its regular communication following a brother's death, not to be confused with the funeral service, and would refer it to the Board of Custodians.

The Grand Master's Address contains much to inspire lodges and Freemasons in every walk of life. We impress on every Master the importance or reading and studying it in open lodge, as well as to make it available to members.

Your Committee congratulates the Grand Master on a year's work of fruitful activity wrought in loving interest of the Craft and to the Glory of the Most High. We recommend to the Grand Lodge the concurrance in and endorsation of all his appointments, rulings, recommendations and Official Acts done and reported during his term of office.

Fraternally submitted,

STANLEY H. FAHRNI,
For the Chairman.

This report was presented by M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (11), who moved its adoption, seconded by M.W. Bro. Jas. MacEwing (51).

GREETINGS FROM DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

M.W. Bro. Einar Johnson, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota and W. Bro. Clinton Norton, Director of Masonic Education spoke a few words of greeting to the brethren assembled.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Brethren of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on the Grand Secretary's Report beg to submit the following:

The Statistical Report should be of interest to all members of Grand Lodge. It shows a gross increase in membership of 1032 and a net gain of 489, as compared with a net gain of 495 for 1949. This small decrease in membership suggests that we have probably reached the normal membership to be expected in this Grand Jurisdiction. There have been decreases in Initiations of 46, Re-instatements of 9 and Affiliations of 8. While Demits have increased by 8, Suspensions N.P.D. have increased by 48. This latter figure should give some concern as it has increased from 27 to 113 in the last four years. It is regrettable that 13 lodges had no Initiations this year, while 7 lodges conferred no Degrees at all. The list of Dispensations issued from May 15th, 1950, to April 30th, 1951, totalled 94—or an increase of 6 over the previous year.

It is hoped that the appointment of an Executive Secretary by the Board of General Purposes will increase the efficiency of this office. Your Committee extends best wishes to W. Bro. M. Gordon McKenzie who has been appointed to this position.

Your Committee concurs in the recommendation of the Grand Secretary for additional office space owing to the continued growth of Grand Lodge and the increase in activities.

Your Committee, after considering the excellent report given by the Grand Secretary, wishes to express to him and his Office Staff, its thanks and appreciation on behalf of all members of this Grand Jursdiction for work well done during the year just closed.

Respectfully submitted,

W. PERCY WHTE,
Chairman.

This report was presented by R.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4), who moved its adoption, seconded by R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat (139). Carried.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

NOTICE OF MOTION

Section 64 (a)

That Section 64 (a) be amended by adding thereto as a third paragraph, the following:

> "The Executive Secretary shall be an ex-officio member of the Board during his tenure of the office."

The above Motion was withdrawn.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Section 95

It was moved by W. Bro. A. E. Boyle (114), seconded by V.W. Bro. N. Rothstein (141), that Section 95 be amended by adding thereto as a second paragraph, the following:

> "An Apron shall be worn in such a manner that its entire face, or front, shall be exposed to view."

The Motion was lost.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Section 138

It was moved by W. Bro. A. E. Boyle (114), seconded by R.W. Bro. G. R. Mackay (137) . . . that Section 138 be amended by deleting the words "and a resolution passed" in the fourth line thereof. The Section would then read as follows:

> "A lodge shall grant a Demit in the form prescribed by the Board to a member making written application, if his dues are fully paid and no charges have been laid against him. The application must be read in the lodge before demit is granted. No fee shall be charged."

This Motion was carried.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Section 171

It was moved by W. Bro. A. E. Boyle (114), seconded by M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan (158) that Section 171, be amended by deleting the words, "A petitioner whose application" in line one, and substituting therefor the following words: "A Master Mason whose petition." The Section would then read as follows:

> "A Master Mason whose petition for Affiliation has been rejected may present it to any lodge at a subsequent regular meeting."

The Motion was carried

NOTICE OF MOTION

Section 178

It was moved by W. Bro. A. E. Boyle (114), seconded by R.W. Harry H. Gray (141), that Section 178 be amended by deleting in line two the words "make application" and substituting therefor the words "present a petition" and be deleting in line five, the word "application" and substituting therefor the word "petition." The Section would then read as follows:

> "A Master Mason in good standing who is a member of a lodge in this or any other Jurisdiction, may present a petition for Affiliation to another lodge. The procedure by the lodge to which the petition is presented shall be the same as in the case of any other petition for affiliation."."

The Motion was carried.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Section 180

That Section 180 be amended by adding, after the words, "Entered Apprentice Degree" in line one, the following words, "or the Fellow Craft Degree or the Master Mason Degree." The Section would then read as follows:

> A lodge may confer the Entered Apprentice Degree, or the Fellow Craft Degree, or the Master Mason Degree on not more than five candidates in one day."

The Motion was withdrawn.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Section 199 (ss i)

That Section 199, Subsection (i) be amended by deleting the words "petitions for degrees"and substituting therefor the words "a petition for degrees in a lodge or in any Body or Society which requires Freemasonry as a basis for membership." The Subsection (i) would then read as follows:

> To solicit a petition for degrees in a lodge or in any Body or Society which requires Freemasonry as a basis for membership."

The Motion was withdrawn.

ADJOURNMENT

The Afternon Session was adjourned at 4.25 p.m. to be resumed at 8.00 p.m. in the evening.

Thursday June 14th, 1951

Evening Session

LABOR RESUMED

Grand Lodge was called from Refreshment to Labor by the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole, at 8:00 p.m. after the Grand Lodge Officers and Distinguished Guests had marched into the room as the brethren sang the opening hymn, "Unto the Hills Around."

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

To the most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:
Your Committee on Credentials beg to report as follows:

There are 106 Chartered Lodges on the Grand Lodge Register and four Lodges under Dispensation. 99 Lodges, represented by one or more of their three Principal Officers; 11 Lodges unrepresented, namely:

Deloraine	Lodge No. 40
Russell	Lodge No. 62
Cypress	Lodge No. 82
Shoal Lake	Lodge No. 92
Kilwinning	Lodge No. 110
Roblin	Lodge No. 122
Favel	Lodge No. 126
Victory	Lodge No. 128
Sprague	Lodge No. 132
Meridian	Lodge No. 140
Fort Prince of Wales	Lodge U.D.

103 Lodges have one or more Past Masters present and 7 have neither Past Master nor Officers present, namely:

Shoal Lake	Lodge No. 92
Kilwinning	Lodge No. 110
Roblin	Lodge No. 122

Favel	Lodge No. 126
Victory	Lodge No. 128
Sprague	Lodge No. 132
Fort Prince of Wales	Lodge U.D.

Registered:

Past Masters	350
Worshipful Masters	84
Senior Wardens	52
Junior Wardens	42
	528
Master Masons	76
Visitors	19
Total	623

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. GRANT,
Chairman.

This report was presented by R.W. Bro. J. C. Grant (3), who moved its adoption, seconded by R.W. Bro. R. M. Muckle (2). Carried.

No.	Lodge	W.M.	S.W.	J.W.	P.M.	Total
1	Prince Rupert's	1	1		5	7
2	Lisgar	1	1	1	9	12
3	Ancient Landmark		1		11	12
4	St. John's	1	1	1	17	20
6	Emerson		1		5	6
7	Assiniboine	1	1	1	12	15
8	King Solomon	1	1	1	2	5
10	Northern Light	1			4	5
11	Gladstone	1	1	1	9	12
12	Stonewall	1	1	1	7	10
13	Morden	1	1	1	4	7
14	Prince of Wales	1	1	1	2	5
15	Corinthian	1				1
19	Brandon	1	1	1	1	4
24	Neepawa	1	1		3	5
25	Ionic	1	1		6	8
27	Glenwood	1			3	4
29	Carberry	1	1		3	5
30	Manitou	1			1	2
36	Doric	1			1	2
39	Birtle	1				1
40	Deloraine				3	3
43	Lebanon	1		1	1	3
44	Oak Lake		1		1	2
48	Glenboro			1	5	6
49	Temple		1	1	5	7
50	Killarney	1			1	2
51	Treherne	1			5	6
52	Hartney	1				1
54	Oriental	1			1	2
55	East Star	1		1	4	6
62	Russell				1	1
63	Holland	1	1	1	2	5
64	Composite	1		1	4	6
67	Wawanesa	1	1	1	2	5
68	Vermillion	1				1
70	Shiloh	1	1	1	6	9
71	Crystal	1	1		5	7
74	Elkhorn	1	1			2
75	Gothic	1			4	5
77	Napinka		1		2	3
82	Cypress				1	1
84	Hamiota	1			1	2
86	Elgin	1		1	1	3
87	Rathwell	1			2	3
90	Midlothian	1		1	5	7

No.	Lodge	W.M.	S.W.	J.W.	P.M.	Total
92	Shoal Lake					
93	King Edward	1			10	11
94	Hiram			1		1
100	Robbie Burns	1			2	3
101	Binscarth	1	1		2	4
102	Miniota	1			2	3
103	Crescent	1	1		5	7
104	Reston	1	1		3	5
105	Prince Arthur	1	1		3	5
106	Strathclair			1	1	2
107	Lansdowne	1	1	1	2	5
108	Union	1	1		5	7
109	Swan Lake	1		1	1	3
110	Kilwinning					
111	Acacia		1		6	7
112	Ophir	1		1	1	3
113	Tweed	1		1	7	9
114	"The Assiniboine"	1	1	1	6	9
115	Rivers				1	1
116	St. Andrew's		1		3	4
117	Strathcona	1		1	4	6
118	Mound	1			2	3
119	Norwood	1	1	1	2	5
120	Penza	1	1		3	5
121	St. James	1	1	1	8	11
122	Roblin					
123	Transcona	1	1		5	7
124	The Pas	1				1
125	Patricia	1			5	6
126	Favel					
127	Empire		1	1	6	8
128	Victory					
130	Fort Garry	1	1	1	3	6
131	Kildonan		1		8	9
132	Sprague					
133	McCreary	1				1
134	Stony Mountain	1	1	1	5	8
136	Capitol	1	1		2	4
137	Lord Selkirk	1		1	7	9
138	Windsor	1		1	5	7
139	Beaver	1	1	1	9	12
140	Meridan				8	8
141	Tuscan	1	1	1	5	8
142	Harmony		1			1
143	Mt. Sinai	1	1		9	11
144	Fort Osborne	1	1		2	4

No.	Lodge	W.M.	S.W.	J.W.	P.M.	Total
145	Sturgeon Creek	1				1
146	Fidelity	1	1	1	4	7
147	Jubilee	1				1
148	Seven Oaks	1	1	1	5	8
150	Cartwright	1	1			2
151	The Dormer	1	1		5	7
152	Foxwarren	1	1	1		3
153	Flin Flon	1				1
154	Pine Falls	1	1	1	5	8
155	Carman			1	2	3
156	Manitouwapa	1				1
157	Rice Lake	1			1	2
158	Fenwick	1			2	3
159	Newdale	1				1
U.D.	Starbuck U.D.	1				1
U.D.	Fort Prince of Wales					
U.D.	Ashlar U.D.	1		1		2
U.D.	Charleswood U.D.	1			1	2
	Totals	84	52	42	350	528

ADDRESS OF THE GRAND CHAPLAIN

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and
Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba,
A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

My first word must be one of sincere appreciation at the presence of so many of our brethren at the Ceremony of laying of the Corner Stone of the new St. Alban's Church. Our Grand Master unfortunately was not able to attend and I know he was as disappointed as myself, however he did the next best thing in appointing M.W. Bro. William Douglas to act in his stead, so that of course, the Ceremony was carried out with great efficiency and dignity. By the way, he told us something I never knew before, that St. Alban was not only the first British Martyr, but was also one of the first British members of the Masonic Order.

Brethren, it is a good thing for our Order to manifest the oneness with the Church, for we all believe, or should do, in God as revealed by His Son, as our Father. We believe in the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of man.

The reports presented at this Seventy-sixth Annual Communication indicate progress and interest in Masonry. Our Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Chas E. Cole has travelled much and has made a great impression by his kind, gracious and efficient work. We congratulate him and his Officers for a splendid year.

We meet in dangerous days for at any moment the storm may break upon us. There is fear of war, of death—there is no certainty about the future. Nations are arming to the teeth, and one false note may bring about discord in the world, one false step may hurl the nations into war. The passionate cry for security, instead of adventure shows that fear is very near to their hearts.

Now the only cure for fear is Faith in God. That does not mean that God will keep storms and difficulties away from us. It does not mean that God will provide or that He will shield us from suffering, but it is believing in God Himself as our Heavenly Father. It means the surrender of the Soul to the Everlasting Love . . . it means a belief that "All things work together for good to them that love and trust Him." This Faith that will enable us to look not through the eyes of fear, but of trust; we shall not be afraid of life in any of its aspects. We shall have that serenity and calm of mind that will enable us to face bravely our problems and solve them; that will enable us to rise victorious over our difficulties; for as Colton says:

> "Times of great calamity and confusion have ever been productive of the greatest minds. The purest ore is produced from the hottest furnace and the brighest thunderbolt is elicited from the darkest storm."

This is what we need to do in face of the threats and perils of our modern life—get into personal contact with the wisdom of God in the deep places of our own hearts, then whatever storms may break, we shall be more than equal to them. "For this is the victory that overcometh the world even our faith." Nothing is ever so bad as it looks to the eyes of fear, and as one person who gives way to fear can infect a whole community, so also is courage imparted, for calm is stronger in its influence than fear. One brave strong man can steady a whole regiment or a whole country.

"The sand of the desert is sodden red
Red with the wreck of a square that broke—
The gatlings jammed and the Colonel dead
And the regiment blind with dust and smoke.
The river of death has brimmed his banks
And England's far, and honor a name—
But the voice of a school boy rallies the ranks,
Play up! Play up! and play the game!"

It was something like that only infinitely greater, the Master did on the Lake of Galilee. The real lesson of the story of the storm on the Sea of Galilee is not the calming of the Sea, but the imparting of the Master's serenity and poise, to the minds of those frightened fishermen.

Brethren, there is yet one more lesson to be learned from this story. It is that the storm however dreadfully it rages is still under control. Things are not really out of hand. They may seem to be, but God is not mocked. He is still on the Throne, and one day, it may be sooner than our anxious hearts can imagine, He may speak the word that will muzzle the forces of evil forever. And, meantime, He is with us in the storm. Let us therefore, brethren, go forth in faith and trust in God, then we will be the better enabled to do good unto all men.

The Grand Chaplain, R.W. Bro. Rev. Canon Fredrick Hughes (1), was thanked for his sincere Address by M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington (1).

REPORT OF THE SCRUTINEERS OF ELECTION

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers, and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Board of Scrutineers, appointed to conduct the election of Officers and eight members of the Board of General Purposes for a term of two years, also District Deputy Grand Masters for the several Masonic Districts, make report as follows:

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND MASTER, the name of Frederick Harold Blythe was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF DEPUTY GRAND MASTER, the name of Gordon Alexander McMorran, was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF SENIOR GRAND WARDEN, the name of Harry Haggart Gray, was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF JUNIOR GRAND WARDEN, four names were submitted in nomination, i.e., John R. C. Evans;

Francis Milton Ferg; George Vickers Henderson; R. M. Muckle.

The number of ballots cast was 521 of which 519 were valid. The necessary quota to elect was 260. Brother John R. C. Evans received the necessary quota.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND TREASURER, the name of W. Percy White was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND SECRETARY, the name of Harry Coddington was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND CHAPLAIN, the name of Frederick Hughes was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND HISTORIAN, the name of William Douglas was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND DIRECTOR OF CEREMONIES, the name of John Paterson Mowat was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND LIBRARIAN, the name of George A. Woodside was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES, for two year term, thirteen names were submitted in nomination, i.e.,

E. A. Baragar
J. Bruce Day
R. E. Emmett
G. P. Fairbairn
J. Reid Glenn
K. R. Kennedy

J. D. Lloyd
F. B. Lynes
A. S. McCann
C. A. Midwinter
John Norquay
Robert Peel
W. A. Prugh

The number of ballots cast was 521 of which 515 were valid (6 spoiled). The necessary quota to elect was 58. The following named brethren received the required quota or an equivalent to elect

E. A. Baragar
R. E. Emmett
J. Reid Glenn
K. R. Kennedy

F. B. Lynes
C. A. Midwinter
John Norquay
W. A. Prugh

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

In accordance with the provisions of the Constitution, the following brethren have been elected District Deputy Grand

Masters of the respective districts as indicated. Their election has been confirmed by the Grand Master Elect.

FIRST MASONIC DISTRICT, Thos. C. Jackson, Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3.

SECOND MASONIC DISTRICT, Allan James Grant, St. Andrew's Lodge No. 116.

THIRD MASONIC DISTRICT, John Williamson Johnston, Wawanesa Lodge No. 67.

FOURTH MASONIC DISTRICT, Clifford George McLean, Mound Lodge No. 118.

FIFTH MASONIC DISTRICT, Edward Perry Venables, Hamiota Lodge No. 84.

SIXTH MASONIC DISTRICT, Albert W. Bodkin, Napinka Lodge No. 77.

SEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT, Austin D. Blair, Composite Lodge No. 64.

EIGHTH MASONIC DISTRICT, Alex. R. DICK, East Star Lodge No. 55.

NINTH MASONIC DISTRICT, Wm. Leonard Foshner, Prince Arthur Lodge No. 105.

TENTH MASONIC DISTRICT, Evert Leon White, Kildonan Lodge No. 131.

TWELFTH MASONIC DISTRICT, Matt. Ferguson, Lord Selkirk Lodge No. 137.

All of which is fraternally submitted,

WM. DOUGLAS,
Chairman.

This report was presented by R.W. Bro. A. G. Cowan (4), on behalf of M.W. Bro. Douglas (4). R.W. Bro. Cowan moved its adoption, seconded by M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan (158). Carried.

The M.W. Grand Master declared the several Officers of Grand Lodge and the Members of the Board Purposes to be duly elected.

PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES

The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole, called the retiring District Deputy Grand Masters and the Elected and Appointed Officers of Grand Lodge to the Altar and with words of appreciation for their support and for services rendered to Grand Lodge, presented them with the Certificates of their respective offices.

GREETINGS FROM DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

M.W. Bro. Chas. M. Pollock, P.G.M. from Grand Lodge of North Dakota, extended warmest fraternal greetings from the brethren of his Jurisdiction to their many friends in Manitoba, and R.W. Bro. W. R. Trench of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, also extended greetings on behalf of his Grand Master and Grand Lodge.

APPRECIATION

On motion of M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington (1), seconded by R. Bro. W. Percy White (4), the following resolutions of thanks and appreciation were adopted:

To Bros. Burrows and Erskine for their contribution to the musical programme of Grand Lodge.

To the Management and the Staff of the Royal Alexandra Hotel for their courtesies to our Guests and for their thoughtfulness and co-operation at all times during the Sessions.

To all those brethren who contributed to the success of the Sessions of the Seventy-sixth Annual Communication.

INSTALLATION CEREMONIES

Following the singing of the hymn "Faith of our Fathers," the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole called on M.W. Bro. Maurice S. Donovan (158), to assume the gavel as Grand Installing Officer, assisted by R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat (139), Grand Director of Ceremonies.

The various Grand Lodge Officers were installed in their respective stations in an impressive ceremony, after which the Grand Installing Officer handed the gavel to the newly installed Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe (93), expressing his best wishes for a successful term in Office. The M.W. Grand Master then thanked the Grand Installing Officers for performing their duties in such an able and successful manner.

R.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray (141), on behalf of the Elected Officers, and V.W. Bro. S. A. Restall (93), on behalf of the Appointed Officers, expressed their loyalty and support to the M.W. Grand Master during the coming year.

PRESENTATIONS

M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole presented the Grand Master, M.W.Bro. Fred H. Blythe with the Grand Master's Apron on behalf of Grand Lodge. M.W. Bro. Blythe, in a very able manner expressed his thanks for the regalia emblematic of the Office, and for the position of such high honor which had been conferred on him.

The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe then presented a Past Grand Master's Jewel to M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole, on receipt of which, M.W. Bro. Cole thanked Grand Lodge for the opportunity which had been given to him to serve in the Office of Grand Master for the term 1950-1951.

The brethren all joined in singing the closing hymn, "God of our Fathers, Known of Old."

The business of the Adjourned Seventy-sixth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, having been completed, it was closed in Ample Form by the M.W. Grand Master and with prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

HARRY CODDINGTON,
Grand Secretary.

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GRAND LODGE OFFICERS ELECTED AND APPOINTED FOR 1951-1952

Grand Master	M.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe (93)	Winnipeg
Deputy Grand Master	R.W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran (27)	Souris
Senior Grand Warden	R.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray (141)	Winnipeg
Junior Grand Warden	R.W. Bro. John R. C. Evans (113)	Brandon
Grand Treasurer	R.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4)	Winnipeg
Grand Secretary	M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington (1)	Winnipeg
Grand Chaplain	R.W. Rev. Fredk. Hughes (1)	Winnipeg
Grand Historian	M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4)	Winnipeg
G. D. of Ceremonies	R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat (139)	Winnipeg
Grand Librarian	R.W. Bro. G. A. Woodside (10)	Winnipeg
Senior Grand Deacon	V.W. Bro. S. A. Restall (93)	Winnipeg
Junior Grand Deacon	V.W. Bro. Wm. J. Breakey (13)	Morden
Senior Grand Steward	V.W. Bro. Alex. E. Duff (130)	Winnipeg
Junior Grand Steward	V.W. Bro. H. G. Turner (116)	Wellwood
Grand Organist	V.W. Bro. A. W. Knott (100)	Gilbert Plains
Grand Pursuivant	V.W. Bro. David Rothstein (141)	Winnipeg
Grand Tyler	V.W. Bro. Thos. McLennan (101)	Binscarth

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

1st Masonic District	R.W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson (3)	Winnipeg
2nd Masonic District	R.W. Bro. A. J. Grant (116)	Wellwood
3rd Masonic District	R.W. Bro. J. W. Johnston (67)	Wawanesa
4th Masonic Dicstrict	R.W. Bro. C. G. McLean (118)	Pilot Mound
5th Masonic District	R.W. Bro. E. P. Venables (84)	Hamiota
6th Masonic District	R.W. Bro. A. W. Bodkin (77)	Napinka
7th Masonic District	R.W. Bro. Austin W. Blair (64)	Alexander
8th Masonic District	R.W. Bro. A. R. Dick (55)	Winnipeg
9th Masonic District	R.W. Bro. Wm. L. Foshner (105)	Swan River
10th Masonic District	R.W. Bro. E. L. White (131)	Winnipeg
12th Masonic District	R.W. Bro. Matt. Ferguson (137)	Winnipeg

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R.W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran (27)
Deputy Grand Master .... Souris

VICE-PRESIDENT

R.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray (141) Senior Grand Warden .. Winnipeg

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M.W. Bro. E. T. Greenway (71) Past Grand Master . Crystal City
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M.W. Bro. W. J. Major (25) Past Grand Master .... Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. J. S. MacEwing (51) Past Grand Master ..... Treherne
M.W. Bro. A. L. Crossin (10) Past Gand Master .... Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4) Past Grand Master .... Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. Geo. Hunter (10) Past Grand Master .... Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. N. J. Black (3), Past Grand Master .... Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. D. S. Woods (90) Past Grand Master .... St. Vital
M.W. Bro. Robt. Hawkins (68), Past Grand Master ..... Dauphin
M.W. Bro. Wm. D. Lawrence (25) Past Grand Master .. Winnipeg
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M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (11)
Past Grand Master .... Portage la Prairie
M.W. Bro. Ben. C. Parker (4) Past Grand Master ..... Winnipeg
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M.W. Bro. Peter T. Pilkey (25) Past Grand Master ..... Hamiota
M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan (158) Past Grand Master .... Brandon
M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly (138) Past Grand Master .... St. Vital
M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald (70) Past Grand Master ..... Roland
M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington (1) Past Grand Master .. Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole (7)
Immediate Past Grand Master .... Portage la Prairie
M.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe (93) Grand Master ...... Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. John R. C. Evans (113) Junior Grand Warden. Brandon
R.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4) Grand Treasurer .... Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington (1) Grand Secretary .... Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. Rev. Fredk. Hughes (1) Grand Chaplain .... Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat (139) G.D. of Ceremonies ...... Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. G. A. Woodside (10) Grand Librarian ...... Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. S. Hart Green (143) Honorary Member ..... Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. Hugh M. Kerr (113) Honorary Member ..... Brandon
W. Bro. A. E. Boyle (114) Honorary Member .... Winnipeg
W. Bro. J. F. Irwin (24) Honorary Member .... Neepawa
R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson (3),
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R.W. Bro. W. L. Foshner (105) D.D.G.M. 9th Masonic District	Swan River
R.W. Bro. E. L. White (131) D.D.G.M. 10th Masonic District	Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. Matt. Ferguson (137) D.D.G.M. 12th Masonic District	Winnipeg

ELECTED BY GRAND LODGE IN 1950
For a Two-Year Term

R.W. Bro. R. M. Muckle (2)	Clandeboye
R.W. Bro. W. J. McGregor (11)	Gladstone
W. Bro. J. F. Irwin (24)	Neepawa
R.W. Bro. J. C. Bate (50)	Killarney
R.W. Bro. J. J. Bannerman (93)	Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. Jas. Wardrope (127)	Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. D. Griffith (138)	Fort Garry
R.W. Bro. L. C. Welsh (139)	Winnipeg

ELECTED BY GRAND LODGE IN 1951
For a Two-Year Term

R.W. Bro. John Norquay (2)	East Kildonan
R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy (4)	Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. F. B. Lynes (71)	Crystal City
V.W. Bro. E. A. Baragar (103)	Elm Creek
R.W. Bro. C. A. Midwinter (111)	Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. W. A. Prugh (113)	Brandon
R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett (121)	St. James
R.W. Bro. J. Reid Glenn (144)	Winnipeg

STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

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R.W. Bro. S. Hart Green

M.W. Bro. S. Burland	R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy
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R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett
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R.W. Bro. C. A. Midwinter

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M.W. Bro. Geo. Hunter

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M.W. Bro. C. E. Cole
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R.W. Bro. W. J. McGregor

FORM OF BEQUEST
FOR THE BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA

The following form of Bequest may be used by any Brother desiring to bequeath any sum for the benefit of the Benevolent Endowment Fund of Grand Lodge:

"I, give unto my Executor or Executors the sum of ....(\$............) upon trust to pay the same to the Grand Secretary for the time being, of the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Manitoba, for the purposes and benefit of the Benevolent Endowment Fund of the said Grand Lodge, and I declare that the receipt for such sum of the said Grand Secretary shall be an absolute discharge for such payment.

....Signed".

The Lodge Secretary will bring this to the attention of the brethren either at the Lodge Meeting or in the Monthly Notice.

GRAND LODGE LIBRARY

Brethren are reminded of the facilities offered by the Grand Lodge Library for increasing their Masonic Knowledge. Travelling sets of books, specially arranged for the use of country Lodges, are available, and individual country members can have books posted to them.

Full particulars may be obtained from the Grand Librarian, Masonic Temple, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

FIRST MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit for your approval, a report of my activities as your representative for the year 1950-1951. May I express my sincere thanks and appreciation to the brethren of the District for the honor conferred on my Mother Lodge, King Edward Lodge No. 93, and myself, in electing me to the office of District Deputy Grand Master, and to the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, for his confirmation of that election.

My first official duty was to appoint W. Bro. Al. E. Ritchie of King Edward Lodge as the District Secretary. I wish to express my sincere thanks to him for his untiring assistance during the year. W. Bro. Alex. Slessor of Acacia Lodge very kindly consented to be my District Chaplain. W. Bro. Dave Mitchell of Northern Light Lodge was elected District Treasurer, at the annual Communication in August and has accompanied me on all my official visits.

The practice was continued of having two supper meetings to enable the District Officers to meet the Masters, Wardens, and Secretaries and discuss the problems that daily arise in connection with their various offices. The first was held on September 15, 1950, when plans were also made for the District Meeting to be held on November 29, 1950.

The Second Meeting was held at the Temple, Donald Street, on January 10, 1951. The Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington attended this meeting and very fruitful exchanges were carried on as to how the work of the secretaries might be eased. Many suggested to me that I should recommend that these meetings be held monthly in the future because Masters and Secretaries had received so much help and inspiration from them.

I have made one Official visit, and one Unofficial visit to observe Degree work to each of the Lodges. My official visits were as follows:

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Tuesday, October 3	"The Assiniboine" No. 114
Thursday, October 12	Norwood No. 119
Monday, October 16	Empire No. 127
Wednesday, October 18	King Edward No. 93
Wednesday, November 8,	St. James No. 121

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Wednesday, January 10	Acacia No. 111
Monday, January 15	Ancient Landmark No. 3
Thursday, January 18	Northern Light No. 10
Monday, February 5	Ionic No. 25
Wednesday, February 7	St. John's No. 4
Tuesday, February 20	Prince Rupert's No. 1
Tuesday, March 6	Ashlar U.D.

On all these visits I was accompanied by a large number of Grand Lodge Officers, Past Masters, and principal officers of the Lodges.

We were in every case received with dignity and enthusiasm and in every case were asked to convey to you, the loyalty, love, and esteem of all the Freemasons in their Lodge.

The District Meeting was held at the Masonic Temple, Donald street, on Wednesday, November 29, 1950. All Lodges in the district were represented as well as visitors from neighboring Lodges. Reports were given by the Masters of all Lodges on their activities for the year. These reports were received with interest by the brethren. Members of the 44 Club led by R.W. Bro. Dave Milliken, put on a playlet, "Let Harmony be the Support." This was novel, entertaining, and instructive. The brethren all enjoyed it very much. The attendance at this meeting was higher than for many years, and interest was lively. It was refreshing to have W. Bro. J. Taylor, Master of Norwood Lodge, introduce W. Bro. J. V. Dillabough, Officers and Charter Members of Ashlar Lodge, U.D., the youngest Lodge to be admitted to the First Masonic District.

At this meeting W. Bro. T. C. Jackson of Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3, was elected D.D.G.M. elect, for next year. I congratulate W. Bro. Tom and wish him success. Also M. W. Bro. Harry Coddington presented a P.D.D.G.M. Apron and Jewel to R.W. Bro. Alex Campbell.

It was also my pleasure to present you, Our Grand Master, at this meeting, together with a large number of Grand Lodge Officers who accompanied you, including R.W. Bro. J. Reid Glenn and R.W. Bro. A. C. Pritchard, D.D.G.M.'s of the Twelfth and Tenth Districts respectively. The brethren appreciated your comments and address.

Besides my official visits and a second visit to all Lodges to see degree work, I attended a number of special functions as follows:

1. A service of Thanksgiving and Rededication held on October 29, at the Winnipeg Auditorium at 3:00 p.m. to commemorate

the 75th Anniversary of the founding of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. and A.M. A massed choir led by Bro. Kerr Wilson, provided the music. The Auditorium was filled with Masons and their families. The Grand Master M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole, with other Grand Lodge Officers occupied the platform. Bro. Rev. J. Burton Thomas, delivered a very inspiring address. In order that all Masons in Manitoba could hear the service, it was broadcast over CKY. Many out of town Lodges gathered in their Lodge Rooms to hear this service.

2. St. John's No. 4, 75th Anniversary.
   This was also the year of the 75th Anniversary of the founding of St. John's Lodge and they held three very interesting meetings. The first, on October 22, took the form of a service of Thanksgiving and Rededication at Crescent Fort Rouge United Church. M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole, read the Scripture lesson, W. Bro. George P. McLeod, read the Litany of Thanksgiving, while Bro. Rev. W. G. Martin preached the sermon. Bro. James C. Duncan was choirmaster. The brethren of St. John's Lodge turned out in large numbers for this impressive service. The second meeting was a Degree put on at the Fort Garry Hotel. The celebrations ended with a 75th Anniversary "Ladies' Night" at the Fort Garry Hotel. The Lodge Historian M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas got out a book called "The Story of Number 4. from 1875 to 1950."

3. Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1, held an emergency meeting on Sunday, December 10th, 1950, to commemorate the 80th Anniversary of the Institution of Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1, and on December 8th, the celebration took the form of a Ladies' Night and reunion. These were two delightful function.

4. "The Assiniboine" Lodge held its annual Canadian Night in the Fort Garry Hotel. Dean J. W. G. MacEwan proposed the toast to "Canada Our Country."

5. On Monday, November 13, 1950, I attended a service of Remembrance held by Ionic Lodge in the Temple. This was most impressive and the brethren turned out to fill the Temple. Bro. Major W. F. Ross gave the address of Remembrance.

6. On September 23, 1950, I attended a complimentary dinner put on by Nowood Lodge No. 119, in honor of the brethren of Montgomery Lodge No. 258, St. Paul, Minneapolis. In the evening Montgomery Lodge put on the Master Mason's Degree.

7. On December 12th, the King Edward Preceptory invited me to their annual Christmas Observance Service as an honored guest.

8. I was also invited to address East Star Lodge No. 55, at Gretna, Manitoba. This Lodge which four or five years ago almost gave up its Charter, is now going strong and showing renewed life and vigor. A good deal of credit for this must go to the W. Bro. Alex Dick, and R.W. Bro. George E. Keyes. This lodge is not going to look back.

9. On March 14, 1950, I addressed Fort Garry Lodge No. 130, on their International Night. About 75 brethren from Cavalier Lodge, Tongue River, N.D. came up for this occasion. After a day of sight seeing, a dinner was tendered in their honor.

10. I, officially opened a tea, the first, I believe of its kind, on February 21st, for Norwood Lodge No. 119. This was a happy innovation. This tea was in addition to the New Year's Reception.

Besides these special nights Mrs. Davey and I were invited to attend Ladies' Night at Ionic, St. John's, Northern Light, King Edward, Acacia, Prince Rupert's and Twelfth Masonic District.

I was very happy to accompany you on many of your visits including the Tenth District meeting at Seven Oaks, and Twelfth District meeting in Winnipeg.

Ninteen Hundred and Fifty will be long remembered as the year of the Great Flood. Masons in the Red River Valley suffered greatly, but were not defeated. Immediately aid flowed in like the flood, to assist those in distress. Everyone now seems to have recovered and back to normal.

Several lodges have energetic study clubs especially "The Assiniboine," St. James and Norwood.

The First Masonic District Church Parade was held on April 22, 11:00 a.m. at the St. Andrews United Church, Oak and Kingsway Streets, with R.W. Bro. J. L. McInnis preaching the sermon. About 350 attended this service.

The summons comes one day to every Mason to lay down his working tools, and pass on to the Grand Lodge above. The summons came during the year to several members of the Craft in our District and, while we regret, and mourn their loss, we rejoice that Masonry is richer and brighter because of the contribution they made to it. Of these I will mention only three R.W. Bro. Hugh A. Innes, Senior Grand Warden, M.W. Bro. John T. Boyd, Grand Master, 1937, and M.W. Bro. James Mackie, Grand Master, 1933.

OBSERVATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The large attendance at the meetings on the occasion of my visits and the enthusiasm among the brethren were an inspiration and delight and made my duties as District Deputy Grand Master pleasant indeed.

I found the work of all the Lodges in the District of a very high standard in most, exceptionally so—the degrees impressively conferred, and, generally the Masters and Officers striving towards perfection. I am sure that at every meeting I attended the true import and meaning of the work was properly conveyed to the candidates. The candidates appeared to be a very fine type which leads me to believe that in the First Masonic District proper care is being exercised in the investigation of applicants and that none is being admitted who is not worthy. By this means our future is assured.

The Lodge premises generally are in good condition, well appointed and properly cared for. I have found the Lodge books and records well kept, and finances in a healthy condition. I find that all Lodges have favorable reports so far as outstanding dues are concerned.

I cannot help but mention the apparent enthusiasm for Masonry and interest in things Masonic which exists among the brethren. This is a hopeful sign that Masons are realizing more and more the things of really true and spiritual values, and they are beginning to comprehend that the only way to bring peace and happiness to this troublous world is to live according to the laws of The Divine Creator.

I have continually urged upon Masters the necessity of having business well organized, and snappily executed. Meetings can, and should be concluded by 10:30 or 11:00. Nothing contributes more to poor attendance than late hours.

I have also suggested that more be done to enable initiates to take part in the proceedings of the Lodge.

Before closing I wish to express my appreciation for the support and assistance I received from Grand Lodge Officers, Masters, and Past Masters and the loyalty of the brethren generally, particularly the District Officers, W. Bro. Al. E. Ritchie, W. Bro. Dave Mitchell, W. Bro. Alex Slessor and W. Bro. A. E. Boyle, who accompanied me on most of my visits and acted in the capacity of Director of Ceremonies. I fully realize that this loyalty of the brethren was not due to any personal merit of mine but rather was an expression of loyalty, homage and devotion of the brethren of this First Masonic District to the Most Worshipful the Grand Master whose representative, for the time being I happen to be. I have had a happy experience. I have renewed and enhanced friendships and made many new friends. I have consciently endeavoured to carry out my duties to the best of my skill and ability. If I have erred I would that the brethren exercise true Masonic charity, judge with candor, admonish with friendship and reprehend with mercy. If I have made in my humble way, some small contribution for the good of Freemasonry then my labors will not have been in vain. I trust that I have in some measure merited the confidence which was placed in me.

Fraternally and respectfully submitted,

FRANK C. DAVEY,
D.D.G.M. First Masonic District.

SECOND MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worship Sir:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration and approval my report of activities as your representative in the Second Masonic District for the year 1950-51.

Although getting off to a rather bad start owing to several conditions beyond our control and not being able to visit any lodges prior to the first of the year, I wish to say to you Sir and to all brethren of this Masonic District that the very friendly and cordial reception I received at every lodge made my duties very pleasant and enjoyable.

My appointment of R.W. Bro. J. P. Lawrie as District Chaplain and W. Bro. W. L. McDonald as District Secretary was a very happy choice as both these brethren attended every official meeting and did not spare themselves in assistance and encouragement.

The dates of my official visits were as follows:

Assiniboine Lodge No. 7	January 15, 1951
Gladstone Lodge No. 11	January 8, 1951
Neepawa Lodge No. 24	January 9 1951
Carberry Lodge No. 29	February 20 1951
Temple Lodge No. 49	March 20 1951
Gothic Lodge No. 75	February 14 1951
Union Lodge No. 108	March 1 1951
St. Andrews Lodge No. 116	February 26 1951
McCreary Lodge No. 133	January 10 1951

I made several other visits to the lodges close at hand including the following. The official opening of the Masonic Temple of St. Andrews lodge at Wellwood. This lodge is to be highly commended for this supreme undertaking. The occasion of your official visit to Neepawa lodge No. 24. A visit to Carberry lodge to arrange for a representative for the programme at the Area Meeting held at Brandon, May 18. It was also my pleasure, in company with some brethren of my own lodge, to accompany Temple lodge of MacGregor, on a visit to Strathcona lodge No. 117, of Belmont, where Temple Lodge conferred the M.M. Degree on two "Strathcona" brethren.

I am pleased to report that Freemasonry in the Second Masonic District is in a thriving and healthy condition. All lodges are active, good candidates are being selected and harmony prevails.

I regret to report the passing of three P.D.D.G.M.'s to the Grand Lodge above, namely R.W. Bro. T. L. Bishop, R.W. Bro. Percy McKinnon and R.W. Bro. A. L. Curtis, these brethren served the Craft and the District well and will be greatly missed by their respective lodges.

Our District Meeting was very well attended. Instructive talks were given by M.W. Bro. Charles E. Cole and R.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe rendered valuable and important assistance in discussions.

Several P.D.D.G.M.'s were in attendance and one visiting D.D.G.M.

The kind attention with which my addresses were received was very encouraging. I endeavored to impress upon the brethren the need of putting the Masonic teachings into practice in their daily lives, thereby making better men and better Masons,

In conclusion let me say that the co-operation and wholehearted support of all the brethren in the Second Masonic District has assisted greatly in making my year a very happy Masonic experience and I trust that I have been of some small service to you and to Freemasonry during my term of office.

Fraternally submitted,

C. F. L. McLEOD,
D.D.G.M. Second Masonic District.

THIRD MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

It has been a great honor and privilege to serve this past year as your representative in the Third Masonic District, and my only regret is that time would not permit me to carry out the responsibilities of my office more fully in this respect.

I found the work interesting and very much worth while. It has enriched my Masonic knowledge and broadened the horizon, giving me an opportunity of renewing old acquaintances and making new friends.

Allow me to express my sincere appreciation, to the brethren of the Third Masonic District for the confidence they have placed in me in electing me to the office of D.D.G.M. and to you Most Worshipful Sir for confirming my appointment, and I only hope I have been able to contribute in some small measure to the benefit of the Craft within this district. I would like to especially thank the brethren of Treherne and Rathwell Lodges for the whole hearted support they have given me in carrying out the duties of my office, by accompanying me to the various lodges on my official visits.

Due to the lateness of the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge and the retarded harvest conditions in this rural area, we were rather late in making our official visitations.

My first official duty was the appointment of District Secretary and Chaplain. The former office was ably filled by W. Bro. W. G. Watson, and the latter by Bro. A. B. Cheales, both of Rathwell Lodge No. 87.

Our District Meeting was held at Rathwell, on October 19th, 1950, besides having the pleasure of your presence and other Grand Lodge Officers of your suite, we had a wonderful response from the brethren, of the Third Masonic District notwithstanding the fact that it was a very busy season for the farmers; some 75 signed the register for the afternoon session, while 112 were in attendance in the evening.

The afternoon session was given over to the reports from the secretaries of the various lodges from a fellowship standpoint. Nominations were then opened for D.D.G.M. for 1951-52. The only name submitted was that of W. Bro. J. W. Johnston of Wawanesa Lodge No. 67, who was declared elected (with the approval of the Grand Master) and carried with him the good wishes of the District.

We were then favored with a very inspiring address by W. Bro. C. R. Newcombe, of Treherne Lodge No. 51, on "The Volume of The Sacred Law" pointing out the necessity of every man, especially every Freemason relying more on its teachings, if we are to survive the unsettled conditions of the present day world, and which was very favorably received.

The meeting was thrown open for a period of discussion which proved interesting and benefical, all of which came to an end too soon and the brethren repaired to the Memorial Hall, where they were guests of the wives of Rathwell brethren, at a banquet with the usual Toasts.

The evening session was given over to the address of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, who, amongst other things, pointed out the importance of improving the Lodge notices, making them more appealing to the brethren, also the holding of Annual Divine Services and the influence our reception may have on our candidates at their inception into the Craft.

M.W. Bro. H. Coddington then presented R.W. Bro. H. E. Hopkins, P.D.D.G.M. with the Apron and Jewel of his office, paying high tribute to the faithful service he rendered in carrying out his duties in the Third Masonic District.

R.W. Bro. Hopkins in making reply thanked the brethren for the honor they conferred on him and for the assistance and co-operation they have afforded him during his term of office.

The meeting then instructed the Secretary to extend good wishes of the District to M.W. Bro. Peter T. Pilkey on a continued improvement in health to a complete recovery.

I made the following visitations in my official capacity.

Strathcona Lodge No. 117	October 24, 1950
Wawanesa Lodge No. 67	November 20, 1950
Swan Lake Lodge No. 109	November 22, 1950
Glenboro Lodge No. 48	December 12, 1950
Holland Lodge No. 63	January 10, 1951
Cypress Lodge No. 82	January 22, 1951
Starbuck Lodge U.D.	January 25, 1951
Crescent Lodge No. 103	February 7, 1951
Treherne Lodge No. 51	March 16. 1951
Rathwell Lodge No. 87	April 3, 1951

In each instance I was accorded a very warm reception and received with precision and dignity, all honors due the office as your representative Most Worshipful Sir.

Besides these visits I made a few unofficial calls and witnessed the conferring of Degrees in every Lodge but one. I find the officers in each case quite interested and capable, and Masonry on the whole in this district progressing favorably.

There were several highlights which have taken place in this district during my term of office. On August 6th, 1950, I had the pleasure and privilege of attending with yourself and suite the Institution of Starbuck Lodge U.D. when you officially lighted the torch of Freemasonry in that community.

On March 7th, 1951, I had the privilege of visiting Crescent Lodge No. 103, with you and your suite Most Worshipful Sir, and witnessed something unparalleled in the history of Masonry in the Province of Manitoba—the conferring of the Entered Apprentice Degree on the four MacIntyre Brothers all being obligated by their father W. Bro. J. C. MacIntyre, a member of that lodge for 43 years.

And again on May 9th, 1951, I was privileged to accompany yourself and suite at the Official Opening of the New Temple, at Treherne, Man. This is one of the finest Masonic Halls in rural Manitoba, and a credit and pride to the brethren of Treherne Lodge No. 51, it was also the occasion of their 60th Anniversary and we listened with interest to W. Bro. Box reminisce over the past 60 years of its activities.

On June 3rd. Divine Service was held at St. Paul's Anglican Church, Rathwell, with the District Chaplain Bro. A. B. Cheales preaching the sermon and a goodly number attended.

On June 12th, 1951, Glenboro Lodge No. 48, celebrated the jubilee of 60 years of progress, since the Torch of Freemasonry was lighted by the early pioneers of their community.

Fraternally submitted,

H. A. McLEOD,
D.D.G.M. Third Masonic District.

FOURTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit for your approval, my report as your representative of the Fourth Masonic District, for the year 1950-1951.

On assuming the duties of this important office, I appointed W. Bro. B. Grant, of Doric Lodge No. 36, as my District Secretary and W. Bro. N. J. Ryan, of Doric Lodge No. 36, as District Chaplain. Shortly after his appointment W. Bro. Grant, was taken sick and confined to the hospital, he advised me that he would be unable to continue his office and asked me to appoint another District Secretary, which I did immediately, appointing R.W. Bro. J. C. Bate, of Killarney Lodge No. 50. I am pleased to report that W. Bro. Grant is now in good health again.

The Annual Meeting of the Fourth Masonic District was held in the Masonic Hall at Boissevain, on Thursday, October 5th, 1950. Owing to the late harvest and bad roads the attendance was not as large as anticipated. Registered attendance was seventy-five with all Lodges in the district represented.

The meeting opened at 2.15 p.m. The Address of Welcome was given by W. Bro. J. W. McLaughlin, of Doric Lodge No. 36. I was particularly pleased with the reports presented by the Secretaries from every Lodge in the district. The question period brought out some lively and interesting discussion. I would recommend a question period for every District Meeting, as it is most educational and instructive, particularly to the younger brethren of the Craft.

M.W. Bro. Maurice S. Donovan, of Fenwick Lodge No. 158, gave a very fine talk on "The Landmarks of Freemasonry." The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m. and following a well established custom the brethren retired to the banquet where they enjoyed a splendid dinner, served by the Ladies' of the Order of the Eastern Star. The usual Toasts were given and very ably responded to.

The evening session was opened at 8.15 p.m. when the Most Worshipful the Grand Master and his suite were received, given the grand honors and invited to the East. The District Secretary then gave a summary of the afternoon session. R.W. Bro. E. J. Jarvis of Killarney Lodge No. 50, I.P.D.D.G.M. was presented with a Past District Deputy Grand Master's Apron by M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington, Grand Secretary.

There being but one nomination, the District Deputy Grand Master declared W. Bro. Clifford G. McLean, of Mound Lodge No. 118, District Deputy Grand Master for the year 1951-52, subject to the approval of the Grand Master elect. The Grand Master's Address was the highlight of the evening and really enjoyed by all. The District Secretary then gave the attendance report and the meeting was closed in due form at 10:00 p.m.

I have visited each Lodge in the Fourth Masonic District officially on the following dates:

Crystal Lodge No. 71	Ocober 10th
Killarney Lodge No. 50	October 16th

Cartwright Lodge No. 150	October 17th
Morden Lodge No. 13	October 19th
Mound Lodge No. 118	October 28th
Manitou Lodge No. 30	November 6th
Doric Lodge No. 36	November 27th

On each of these visitations I received a very kind and cordial welcome and found a very fine spirit of harmony existing.

I gave a short address on each of my official visits and the kind attention with which my address was received was indeed a pleasure.

I am pleased to report that Freemasonry in the Fourth Masonic District is in a healthy condition. Every Lodge in the District, with the exception of one, has been receiving new candidates.

The Opening and Closing of the majority of the Lodges and also the business, was done in a very capable and efficient manner.

I witnessed the conferring of Degrees in five of the seven Lodges in this District and they have been conducted in a very dignified and impressive manner, and judging the efficient way the junior officers discharged their duties, I am sure the Lodges of this District will be in capable hands in the future.

But it would be exaggerating for me to say that the Opening and Closing and conferring of Degrees was perfect as there is always room for improvement, and I would suggest that by having more practices this would be accomplished.

I have noticed that on some of my visits our Lodges are late in opening, and I would recommend that these Lodges open at the time specified in their by-laws and on the summons.

On February 14th, 1951, I drove to Pilot Mound, at the request of the Grand Secretary, to inspect the new Masonic Hall, built last year by the brethren of Mound Lodge No. 118. Although this hall was not quite finished the brethren were very anxious to move into their new quarters and I was pleased to be able to favorably recommend to the Board that Mound Lodge No. 118, be permitted to change their place of meeting. This new Masonic Hall is a credit to the fidelity and fortitude of the brethren of Mound Lodge and they are to be congratulated on their achievement.

I was fortunate in being able to attend every meeting of the Board of General purposes and have derived a great benefit therefrom and have enjoyed the association of the members of the Board.

In conclusion, Most Worshipful Sir, I wish to express to you my sincere thanks for confirming my election as District Deputy Grand Master of the Fourth Masonic District, and I may say that it has been a great privilege and honor to serve as your representative in this District, and I hope my efforts have met with your approval as I have tried to discharge the duties of my office to the best of my ability at all times.

I would also like to express my appreciation to the brethren of this District for the honor they conferred in electing me to this high office, my sincere thanks also, to my District Secretary R.W. Bro. J. C. Bate for his co-operation, assistance and advice. To W. Bro. N. J. Ryan who acted as District Chaplain and the brethren of my own Lodge, R.W. Bro. E. J. Jarvis and V.W. Bro. R. A. S. Follett, of Killarney Lodge, who accompanied me on my visiits.

Fraternally submitted,

D. STROUD,
D.D.G.M. Fourth Masonic District.

FIFTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I am pleased to have the honor of submitting to you my Report as District Deputy Grand Master of the Fifth Masonic District for the term of 1950-51.

I had pleasure in my visits to the different Lodges. I am grateful for the support received from the Grand Secretary's office, for the co-operation of officers and members of various Lodges and appreciate very much the help of my Secretary, W. Bro. M. E. Clegg and of our Chaplain Bro. W. Rothwell.

Our District Meeting was held in Binscarth on Friday, October 13th, 1950. It was a pleasure and great help to have with us, on this occasion, the Most Worshipful Grand Master, and Grand Lodge officers, and to benefit by their suggestions. The afternoon Session opening at 2:45 p.m. was well attended, considering the date many being absent on account of harvest which was late. Eighty-eight delegates registered. The visitors were welcomed by W. Bro. Cockburn on behalf of the Binscarth brethren.

R.W. Bro. Blythe paid fitting tribute to M.W. Bro. P. T. Pilkey who was unable to attend on account of illness. The Secretary was asked to write Bro. Pilkey, with greetings from the meeting and with sincere wishes for his speedy recovery. Reports from Secretaries of Lodges received from twelve out of thirteen Lodges.

After the reading of these Reports M.W. Bro. Cole spoke in regard to "Secretary Reports," giving these officers an idea of what is required in said Reports.

A very interesting Question Period was conducted by R.W. Bro. Blythe proving profitable as well.

At 5.30 p.m. the meeting retired to a banquet in the Legion Hall, served by the Y.W.A. of Knox United Church. Usual Toasts were proposed and that to the ladies by R.W. Bro. Blythe. A reading by Mrs. Hall of Binscarth and vocal duets by Rev. and Mrs. Anderson of Knox United, helped to round out the proceedings.

The meeting resumed at the lodge room at 8 o'clock p.m. The Grand Master and suite being introduced to the meeting by R.W. Bro. G. V. Henderson and were accorded the customary honors .

The Tribute to our Fraternal Dead was in charge of our District Chaplain, Bro. W. Rothwell, who addressed the meeting and proposed the Silence.

A pleasing feature was the presentation of Regalia to the R.W. Bro. H. M. Spearin by M.W. Bro. Cole to which Bro. Spearin suitably replied.

There being only one name proposed for position of District Deputy Grand Master for 1951-52, that of W. Bro. E. P. Venables, the D.D.G.M. declared W. Bro. Veneables,the elected candidate.

The District Secretary gave a summary of the afternoon session, and this was followed by an inspiring address by M.W. Bro. Cole, our Grand Master. This Address has proved helpful to the District during the year.

The following is a list of my official visits:

Hamiota Lodge No. 84	October 24, 1950
Foxwarren Lodge No. 152	November 1, 1950
Newdale Lodge No. 159	November 2, 1950
Corinthian Lodge No. 15	November 7, 1950
Prince of Wales Lodge No. 14	November 9, 1950
Russell Lodge No. 62	November 14, 1950

Harmony Lodge No. 142	November 16, 1950
Binscarth Lodge No. 101	November 20, 1950
Strathclair Lodge No. 106	November 21, 1950
Rivers Lodge No. 115	November 27, 1950
Shoal Lake Lodge No. 92	December 14, 1950
Miniota Lodge No. 102	December 28, 1950
Birtle Lodge No. 39	April 16, 1951

My Address, "What is Freemasonry?" and "The Ideal Freemason," was received with real interest which was inspiring to me.

Almost all the Lodges in the District have been receiving new members during the year. A noticeable feature in the District is the number of our younger men who have been elected to office in our Lodges. This speaks well for the future of Masonry.

Considerable effort is needed in order to bring many of our Historical Registers up-to-date.

Owing to the size of our District and the late date of Grand Lodge in 1950, it has been difficult to make more than a single visit to each Lodge. I have made a second visit to some Lodges and hope to visit others before my term expires.

It has been a pleasure to attend our Board Meetings and I have found them educational and instructive. I hope my efforts will meet with your approval.

I wish to express to you Most Worshipful Sir, to the Grand Lodge Officers, and Members of the Lodges in the Fifth Masonic District my sincere thanks for my election to such a high office and to your Confirmation of my position.

I have enjoyed the year's work, it has been pleasant and enjoyable.

Sincerely and fraternally,

W. A. BURNETT,
D.D.G.M. Fifth Masonic District.

SIXTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration and approval, my report as your Deputy in the Sixth Masonic District for the year 1950-51.

Upon assuming office I appointed W. Brother C. H. Main of Deloraine Lodge No. 40, as District Secretary, and R.W. Brother Geo. E. Cox of Morden Lodge No. 13, as District Chaplain.. W. Brother Main later was unable to carry out the duties of the office due to illness, and I appointed W. Brother Jas. W. Falconer of Deloraine Lodge No. 40, as District Secretary.

The District meeting of the Sixth Masonic District was held at Deloraine on October 4th, 1950. Owing to the lateness of the harvest season throughout the District the attendance was lower than usual. All Lodges were represented but one, Kilwinning Lodge No. 110, who advised the meeting of their inabiliy to attend by telegram and forwarded their Lodge report later by mail.

R.W. Brother H. Morrow of Oriental Lodge gave a very interesting paper on, "The Progress of Masonry Through the Centuries."

The nomination for District Deputy Grand Master for 1951-1952, resulted in the election of W. Brother A. W. Bodkin of Napinka Lodge No. 77, subject to your approval, Most Worshipful Sir.

A question and answer period was conducted by R.W. Brother Geo. E. Cox, District Chaplain. Some interesting and informative questions were answered by The M.W. Grand Master, and M.W. Brother H. Coddington, Grand Secretary.

At the evening meeting the splendid Address of M.W. Brother Chas. E. Cole, Grand Master, was greatly appreciated.

Your presence Most Worshipful Sir, coupled with that of M.W. Brother H. Coddington, Grand Secretary, and R.W. Brother G. A. McMorran, Senior Grand Warden, was the source of inspiration, and added materially to the success of the meeting.

I visited all Lodges in the District in 1950, and found them all to be in a healthy condition. Some have Study Clubs, and others have papers on Masonic subjects given regularly by Past Masters.

Of the Candidates being received into Masonry in this District, a large majority are young men of a highly desirable type, and a good percentage of the officers are also young men who appear to feel their responsibility of office, and take a keen interest in the work.

I did not witness degree work in all the Lodges, but I was favorably impressed with the other Lodge work, and feel satisfied that their degree work would be of an equally high standard. Throughout the District I found the Lodges are maintaining a high degree of efficiency, and was well pleased with the degrees I witnessed.

Four out of eight Lodges in the district own their own premises, all of which is a credit to the lodge, and to the community.

The following is a record of my official visits:

Oriental Lodge No. 54	October 24th
Glenwood Lodge No. 27	October 27th
Napinka Lodge No. 77	November 2nd
Hartney Lodge No. 52	November 7th
Reston Lodge No. 104	November 9th
Kilwinning Lodge No. 110	November 13th
Elgin Lodge No. 86	November 14th
Deloraine Lodge No. 40	November 15th

In my humble opinion, Most Worshipful Sir, I feel that the time and effort expended by Past Masters and Lodge officers in maintaining active study clubs, and in the giving and discussing of Masonic papers, will pay big dividends in maintaining the interest and enthusiasm of the younger members at the very beginning of their search for Masonic knowledge, as well as being an added interest to the older members.

The International Masonic Picnic which is held annually in July on Masonic Island in Lake Metagoshe, was highly successful. The weather being ideal a large number of Canadian and American brethren and their families were in attendance. I would heartily recommend this important Masonic event to the Manitoba brethren as an excellent opportunity to fraternize with our brothers across the International Boundary. It also affords us an opportunity to exemplify that cardinal principle of Freemasonry—Brotherhood.

It is with deep regret and sorrow that I record the passing to the Grand Lodge above of R.W. Brother Jas. Burnett a P.D.D.G.M. of this District and a member of Napinka Lodge No. 77. Brother Burnett was always an active member, and had contributed liberally to Freemasonry. Our sympathies go out to his bereaved family.

In concluding I wish to express my sincere appreciation to the brethren of the Sixth Masonic District, and to the members of my own Lodge, Deloraine No. 40, for electing me to this high office, and to you, Most Worshipful Sir, for confirming their selection. The kindly courteous welcome I received in all Lodges as your Deputy, leave many pleasant memories which will long remain with me.

May I add my grateful thanks to the District Secretary, W. Brother Jas. Falconer, and to R.W. Brother Geo. E. Cox, District Chaplain for their co-operation and assistance, and to those who accompanied me on official visits, or assisted in any way.

Fraternally submitted,

A. F. JOHNSTON,
D.D.G.M. Sixth Masonic District.

SEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

My year as your representative in the Seventh Masonic District is drawing to a close and it is my pleasure and duty to submit this report on the general condition of Freemasonry in this Seventh Masonic District for your consideration and approval.

On being installed as District Deputy Grand Master, I immediately appointed W. Bro. H. S. Perdue, District Secretary and Rev. Bro. W. J. Spence, District Chaplain. I entered upon my duties with a certain amount of apprehension based on a sense of responsibility to you and the brethren of the Seventh Masonic District. That feeling was soon dispelled by the friendly encouragement and council I received from the P.D.D.G.M.'s and other brethren of the District. At this time I would like to mention the loyal support afforded me by the District Secretary.

The list of my official visits to the Lodges of the Seventh Masonic District is as follows:

Lebanon Lodge No. 43	November 7th, 1950
Oak Lake Lodge No. 44	November 9th, 1950
Elkhorn Lodge No. 74	November 13th, 1950
Brandon Lodge No. 19	November 14th, 1950
Composite Lodge No. 64	November 16th, 1950
Tweed Lodge No. 113	November 21st, 1950
Lansdowne Lodge No. 107	November 22nd, 1950
Fenwick Lodge No. 158	November 24th, 1950

On these visits, as requested by you, I drew to the attention of the Worshipful Masters and brethren of each lodge the value of improvement in lodge notices. I am pleased to report that a number of the lodges in this district have made alterations which have made the notices more attractive and desirable. I also gave an address on some appropriate Masonic subject on the occasion of each of these visits.

I was very pleased to be accompanied by large numbers of the brethren from the District on each visit. At my official visit to Oak Lake Lodge all the lodges of the District were represented.

The two meetings held for the instruction of the District Deputies, as well as the Board of General Purposes meetings were interesting and valuable. The instructive lessons learned there I have endeavored to convey to the lodges in my district.

In addition to the official visits I have attended each lodge at least once unofficially and have witnessed degree work in all except one. The degree work in some lodges could be much improved if practices were held in advance, despite this I was very pleased with the sincerity of the work and the favorable impression made upon the candidates. To those lodges that were not presenting their candidates with "Booklets" Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4, I strongly recommended that they do so and endeavored to point out the advantages to be gained from the instruction therein contained. I am pleased too, to be able to say that the Masters, on the whole, have some instruction given to the brethren at their regular meetings. The attendance in some cases is not good, but on the other hand some lodges have a splendid record.

The District Meeting was held in the Masonic Temple, Brandon, on Wednesday, October 18th, 1950. It was with more than usual pleasure and feeling that I welcomed you to this meeting, together with the large number of Grand Lodge Officers who accompanied you. The attendance from the lodges was very satisfactory and the lodge reports were carefully prepared and well received. The question period part of the programme created considerable interest and the time alloted proved to be insufficient. Your sincere, well delivered and inspiring address was the highlight, most appropriate to such a gathering.

It has been my good fortune to be able to accompany you on the following occasions, Fourth Masonic District Meeting at Boissevain, Second Masonic District Meeting at Brookdale, your official visit to Neepawa Lodge, No. 24, your official visit to Fenwick Lodge No. 158, and I will be present at the Area Meeting to be held May 18th, 1951, in the Masonic Temple, Brandon.

Our District Church Service was held on Sunday, May 6th, in St. Paul's United Church, Brandon. R.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans of Tweed Lodge No. 113, delivered an appropriate sermon that was both thought-provoking and inspiring. It was with sorrow and regret that the District Chaplain was unable due to illness to conduct the Service. The attendance with all lodges represented was 160.

It was with profound regret and sorrow that I record the passing to The Grand Lodge Above of R.W. Bro. R. J. Timms, a member of Lebanon Lodge No. 43, and a P.D.D.G.M. of this District. R.W. Bro. Timms was active in his lodge and in the District and contributed much to Freemasonry. Our sympathies go out to his wife and family.

In conclusion, let me express my thanks and appreciation to the brethren of this District for having elected me a year ago and to you Most Worshipful Sir, for having confirmed it. I realize that much more could have been accomplished and it is my hope that my term of office has enabled me to make at least some small contribution to the cause of Freemasonry in this District. I shall always cherish the warm friendships that have developed during this past year.

Fraternally submitted,

F. R. WILLMOTT,
D.D.G.M. Seventh Masonic District.

EIGHTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit to you my report as your representative for the Eighth Masonic District for the year 1950-1951.

The District Meeting was held at Miami, on Friday, October 6th, 1950. The register showed a good attendance in spite of rain and uncertain roads. The Grand Master M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole was present, accompanied by M.W. Bro. H. Coddington, M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald, R.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe, D.G.M. and several Grand Lodge Officers.

At the afternoon session the reports of Lodge Secretaries were read, discussed and commented upon by the Grand Master and others, stressing the value and importance of the following activities of the Lodges, viz: Visiting Past Masters' Night, Divine Service, Social events, Study Clubs, also the need for more individual member activity in Research and Education.

A question period followed, conducted by M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald and R.W. Bro. L. C. Welsh, which proved instructive and profitable and was appreciated by all present.

The evening session opened at 8:00 p.m. and the Most Worshipful Grand Master was received officially with his suite, who were introduced.

The Grand Master delivered a very interesting and inspiring address which was listened to attentively and was very much appreciated by every one present.

I have to report that I visited officially all Lodges in the District once during my term of office and some a second time and I am very sorry I was unable to visit all a second time. The following are dates of my official visits:

September 7, 1950	East Star Lodge No. 132.
September 13, 1950	Sprague Lodge No. 132.
October 12, 1950	Shiloh Lodge No. 70.
October 17, 1950	Carman Lodge No. 155.
October 19, 1950	Emerson Lodge No. 6.
October 24, 1950	Penza Lodge No. 120.
November 1, 1950	Patricia Lodge No. 125.
November 20, 1950	Midlothian Lodge No. 90.
February 13, 1951	King Solomon Lodge No. 8.

I also was happy to accept the invitation to attend at the "At Home" of Patricia Lodge No. 125, held at Brunkild, the Masonic Bonspiel of Emerson Lodge No. 6, at Emerson, and to have the honor of being a member of your suite on the occasion of your visit to Crescent Lodge No. 103, Elm Creek, Man.

I feel keenly my disappointment and regrets at not being able to join with you on your other visitations, owing to accident and sickness.

I also regret being unable to join with Shiloh Lodge No. 70, at their 50th Anniversary, which merits congratulations on such a fine record.

It gives me great pleasure to report all Lodges in the District are working harmoniously. The flood of the Red River caused much disruption and loss, but I am also happy to report the fine efforts of rehabilitation of Emerson and Penza Lodges, and at this date, that King Solomon Lodge are organized and plans now completed for early construction.

I witnessed the conferring of Degrees in only two of the nine Lodges which was creditably performed. A noticeable increase in new applications for membership is evident in the flood area which we trust reflects the fine spirit of Masonry and citizenship displayed by members during that crisis.

On my visits I stressed, while addressing the Lodges, the value and need of more individual thinking and study, and more practical Masonry out of the lodge as well as in it.

In conclusion I wish to especially thank Bro. J. E. Crozier, my secretary for arranging the various meetings and accompanying me on my official visits, also Rev. J. W. Cruickshanks, District Chaplain for his very able assistance. Also to those brethren who gave council and help and particularly R.W. Bro. G. J. Long and brethren of Emerson Lodge No. 6, who accompanied me on several visits. And now I wish to express to the brethren of the Eighth Masonic District my deep gratitude for the honor they have conferred upon me as their D.D.G.M. and their loyal support during my term of office.

Most Worshipful Sir, I thank you too, for the kindly interest you have taken in my stewardship.

Fraternally submitted,

ARTHUR C. ORCHARD,
D.D.G.M. Eighth Masonic District.

NINTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

It is my duty and privilege to submit for your consideration my report as District Deputy Grand Master of the Ninth Masonic District for the year 1950-1951.

Following my election, I appointed R.W. Bro. Wrye as my secretary and V.W. Bro. Kitney as Chaplain. It was late in the fall before I received my appointment and as a result, I was unable to make any visits before winter set in. Meantime, R.W. Bro. Wrye was transferred to Regina, and V.W. Bro. Kitney consented to act in his place. I would like to say here how grateful I am to V.W. Bro. Kitney—he has been a pillar of strength to me.

I paid one official visit to each lodge in the Ninth District, accompanied by V.W. Bro. Kitney and several members of Vermillion Lodge No. 68. On each occasion I was received with dignity and sincerity, and at all times was made to feel at home. I am glad to be able to report that in each lodge I found a spirit of harmony and good fellowship. The officers performed their duties well and all the degrees I witnessed were well exemplified. Each lodge is gaining in new members, and appears to be in a very healthy state. I would like to recommend that an improvement in Masonic education be established in all our lodges in this District. I am sure this would help to keep the members interested, improve attendance and be of great value to our new members.

Our District Meeting was held in Dauphin, May 24. The attendance was rather disappointing owing chiefly to the fact that it is a busy time for our rural members and also a Dominion Holiday. Besides having the pleasure of your presence on the occasion, we also enjoyed having with us the Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe; the Grand Secretary M.W. Bro. H. Coddington; Junior Grand Warden R.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran; M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni, P.G.M.

In closing may I say how much I appreciate the honor of being elected District Deputy Grand Master. It was an experience and an education I shall never forget.

Fraternally submitted,

C. F. SHAW,
D.D.G.M. Ninth Masonic District.

TENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

It is with a great deal of pleasure that I submit to you my report as District Deputy Grand Master of the Tenth Masonic District for the year 1950-51.

The District Meeting was held in St. Anne's Parish Hall, West Kildonan, on Thursday, October 26th, 1950. Owing to conditions resulting from the flood in the Spring Season, we were unable to carry out the arrangements made at an earlier date. Preceding the meeting, dinner was served in the United Church, Kilbride Avenue, West Kildonan, at 6:00 p.m.

The Meeting opened at 8:00 p.m. The reception of the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole, who was accompanied by a goodly number of Grand Lodge Officers was very impressive, R.W. Bro. Robert M. Muckle, P.D.D.G.M. made the introduction. On behalf of the Tenth Masonic District, I tried in my humble way to extend a most sincere and cordial welcome to our distinguished guests.

During the meeting W. Bro. George Milne, P.M. of Seven Oaks Lodge No. 148, G.R.M. The District Secretary read the reports sent in by the Master or the Secretary of each Lodge in our District. The Most Worshipful the Grand Master asked permission to comment on what he thought was a very commendable effort of the Lodges, stating the subjects were just what Grand Lodge was looking for to further Masonic Education.

The Grand Master delivered an able and inspiring address, his subject being "Friendship," which was well received by the brethren, and enjoyed by all present. It has been a great privilege and honor to have served as District Deputy Grand Master during your term of office.

I made official visits to the Lodges as follows:

Pine Falls Lodge No. 154	September 8th, 1950
Manitouwapa Lodge No. 156	September 19th, 1950
Stonewall Lodge No. 12	October 5th, 1950
Kildonan Lodge No. 131	October 10th, 1950
Lisgar Lodge No. 2,	October 17th, 1950
Stony Mountain Lodge No. 134	November 1st, 1950
Ophir Lodge No. 112	November 3rd, 1950
The Dormer Lodge No. 151	November 7th, 1950
Seven Oaks Lodge No. 148	November 10th, 1950
Transcona Lodge No. 123	January 5th, 1951

In all these meetings I was most cordially and heartily received and I assure you, brethren, that I will always cherish an everlasting rememberance of those pleasant occasions.

At these meetings I have been impressed with the spirit of earnestness that characterizes our membership and their pride in their lodge. Distance, road conditions, detours or weather being no obstacle to their regular attendance, a great tribute to their conception of what Freemasonry really means to them. On several occasions I spoke to brethren who had travelled forty-five to sixty miles to attend their regular Lodge meetings, this making a round trip of from ninety to one hundred and twenty miles and this was not special to see or hear the D.D.G.M. The Lodge register showed this to be fairly regular.

I would very much like to be able to report a similar condition in the Lodges of the Tenth Masonic District in Greater Winnipeg, where the greatest distance anyone has to travel to attend his or any other Lodge, would only be two or three miles, and this by Street Car or Bus, no road conditions to bother about, very few detours, and modern methods of transportation available at all times, yet with all these advantages the AVERAGE ATTENDANCE is no better at the Lodge meetings, and the District meeting is in about the same class. Greater Winnipeg Lodges have very little to offer for such poor attendance, other than apathy.

On official visits almost all Officers seem to be eager and are tense above normal, trying to do everything just so, and these are the times they make minor errors and slips, which normally would never happen, such as: the Jewels not being placed just right, the pages of the Volume of the Sacred Law being reversed or through constant use maybe a little out of place, Past Officers' Rank not given the correct prominence, Lodge notices with a few misspelled names or initials, uniformity of signs, penalties, also the Work.

The question asked me mostly was, are these minor slips and errors of such importance, that a District Deputy Grand Master should make such a vital issue of same, in a manner which seems to belittle Brother Masons, who go to great lengths to live up to the high Ideals of Freemasonry? Do all these minor criticisms constitute the fundamental Principles of Freemasonry? Are these the chief duties of a District Deputy Grand Master?

Most Worshipful Sir, knowing that a large percentage of the brethren in the rural areas travel long distances to attend their Lodge meetings, indicate to me that they are very sincere in their every attempt at living and putting into practice true Freemasonry as they see it.

My experience in almost every lodge officially visited, was that there is a tense feeling amongst officers and brethren, and in this condition of nerves brethren will make slight errors which do not reflect discredit on any one in particular, especially the lodge officers.

Which is the more important, being word perfect, and all movements in the Lodge correct, or having the true spirit and high Ideals of Freemasonry, and demonstrating same to the best of one's ability?

On all occasions a proper spirit of rivalry and emulation is shown, and combined with this is such a marked feeling of loyality, that I am convinced there is only needed a wise direction to secure noteworthy advancement in every line of endeavor.

I am led to wonder whether those brethren to whom are entrusted the duty of administration of Masonic affairs have fully realized and used the forces for good that are at their command. The Leader is not the only person who accomplishes great things himself, but the one who can inspire his associates with the proper appreciation of their responsibilities, the determination to take full advantage of their opportunities and a spirit of unselfishness that leads to more co-operative endeavor.

Above all brethren, there is throughout the whole of the Tenth Masonic District a wonderful feeling of true Fellowship and Brotherhood. I am also very pleased to report there is an increasing desire amongst the various Lodges for interchange of fraternal visits which I heartily recommend, visitations being productive of much good, in that they bind us much closer together.

Most Worshipful Sir, as your representative I had a message for each occasion, which I think would receive your endorsation; messages, in which I tried to convey to the brethren my interpretation of what Freemasonry is, and what it should mean to every brother Freemason. "Freemasonry's Mission" "Freemasonry's Teaching and Symbolisms" "Thoughts on Freemasonry in General," "Responsibilities of Sponsorship," "Indifference, Intolerance and The Ideal in Freemasonry," "Thoughts on our Ritual and the Work," "Teachings of the Fellowcraft Degree!"

By using a different subject at each lodge meeting, I had no hesitation in inviting the officers and brethren of one lodge to come along to the nearest or most convenient lodge, being able to guarantee they would not hear the same address. It was also possible for Fraternal visits to be arranged to coincide with my Official visits. I am pleased to inform you Most Worshipful Sir, this was done on three occasions. On my visit to Lisgar Lodge No. 2, about twenty-seven brethren of Acacia Lodge No. 111, made the trip from Winnipeg to Selkirk. My official visit to Stonewall No. 12, was also the occasion of a fraternal visit by Seven Oaks No. 148, when twenty-four brethren made the trip from West Kildonan. On my visit to Kildonan Lodge No. 131, ten of the fourteen resident Past Master's of Seven Oaks Lodge accompanied me, two of the absentees being at work, one on the sick list, leaving only one not accounted for.

Under our present system of electing the D.D.G.M. at the annual District Meeting, there is time to prepare a series of short papers, which permit of this procedure, thereby giving greater scope for the interchange of lodge visitations, one of the better ways of building up and retaining that greatest of all the Brotherhood of Man and the Fatherhood of God.

I confined all papers read, to about fifteen minutes, which seemed to meet with the approval of all concerned, and from the rapt attention given to their reading, proved a wonderful recompense for the time and effort given their preparation.

Finally, I trust that I may be pardoned if some reference is made to the favorable comments I received at all lodges, for the contribution made to Freemasonry in general, also the also the benefit derived by the Constitutent lodges.

In conclusion I want to thank all the brethren of the Tenth Masonic District for the confidence placed in me, by electng me to this high Office, which you Most Worshipful Sir, confirmed by conferring the honor of allowing me to be your District Deputy. I trust that I have in some small degree been worthy of that trust reposed in me by "Something attempted, Something done" and a service most sincerely given, if imperfectly rendered to the Craft.

I also desire to thank the members of the various Lodges that accompanied me on my Official visits, the Masters, Past Masters and brethren of the following Lodges: Seven Oaks, Kildonan, Pine Falls, The Dormer, also more especially my District Secretary, W. Bro. George Milne, P.M. my District Chaplain, W. Bro. Albert Collicutt, P.M. who were present on all occasions and gave me wonderful support and the brethren valuable and sound advice. There is one more brother to whom I owe a debt of gratitude, Brother James D. Earls, of Seven Oaks Lodge, who never failed me in my transportation problem at great sacrifice.

Most Worshipful Sir, I feel sure that at this time, I can safely say that the most oustanding feature in our lodges and throughout its membership, is the fine spirit that exists in the whole of the Tenth Masonic District, and I believe this is due to, more than all else an earnest desire on the part of our brethren for True Fellowship and Brotherhood.

Brethren, may this very happy condition continue for all time to come.

Fraternally submitted,

A. C. PRITCHARD,
D.D.G.M. Tenth Masonic District.

TWELFTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit to you for approval my report as your representative for the Twelfth Masonic District for the year 1950-1951.

First, I wish to express my sincere appreciation to the brethren of the Twelfth Masonic District, particularly my own Lodge, Fort Osborne No. 144, for the honor conferred upon me in electing me to this high office; and to you Most Worshipful Sir, for your confirmation of my election.

My first duty as your representative was to attend at your request, your meeting of Instruction for the District Deputy Grand Masters. This proved of great assistance to me in carrying out my duties during my term of office. I then appointed my District Officers: W. Bro. Matt. Ferguson, District Secretary; W. Bro. Chas. E. Bagnell, District Chaplain; and W. Bro. Sam. C. Swanton, who was re-elected District Treasurer.

My Official Visits to the constituent Lodges were as follows:

Capitol Lodge No. 136	September 1, 1950
Sturgeon Creek Lodge No. 145	September 11, 1950
Lord Selkirk Lodge No. 137	September 13,1950
Mount Sinai Lodge No. 143	September 28, 1950
Fidelity Lodge No. 146	October 6. 1950
Fort Garry Lodge No. 130	October 11, 1950
Windsor Lodge No. 138	October 16, 1950
Meridian Lodge No. 149	October 19, 1950
Fort Osborne Lodge No. 144	November 7, 1950
Beaver Lodge No. 139	November 9, 1950
Tuscan Lodge No. 141	November 10, 1950
Charleswood Lodge U.D.	November 27, 1950

On my Official Visit to each Lodge I was accompanied by a good number of Masters, Past Masters, and occasionally some Grand Lodge Officers. On every occasion I was received in a manner befitting your representative, and assured of the high esteem in which you are held by the brethren of the Twelfth Masonic District; I gave each lodge an address on a different Masonic subject, which I thought would be interesting and educational, repeating only once on one of the subjects. These I believe were well received and I sincerely hope that the brethren have received some useful Masonic knowledge from my efforts.

Degree work was witnessed in some lodges on my official visits, some at emergent meetings which I was able to attend later By attending these later meetings I was able to witness Degrees conferred in all lodges but one and can vouch for the standard maintained by this lodge in its work, having seen it on occasions prior to my being elected D.D.G.M. In all the lodges of the District degrees were conferred in a sincere, impressive, and dignified manner, as the Officers of the respective lodges are endeavoring to maintain a high standard of work. Booklets are presented to the candidates of all lodges on receiving their degrees.

A large percentage of the lodges in the District are holding emergent meetings for the purpose of conferring degrees, leaving their regular meetings open for business, instruction, and visitations. This in my opinion makes earlier closing possible and results in better lodge attendance.

A more complete report of my official visits has been submitted to you on Form 21.

On my observations as a whole I feel that Freemasonry is making progress in this District. The lodges are financially sound and the membership continues to grow showing an increase of 150 over the previous year.

Charleswood Lodge U.D., the latest addition to our District is making progress. The Officers and Members are very enthusiastic and are working hard to make their new Lodge a credit to the District. Including my official visit I have attended six of their meetings. I feel very confident as to their future success.

The monthly dinner meetings of the Masters and Wardens of the District are being continued and prove to be of great value, as it brings a closer association between the senior Officers of the lodges and the District Deputy Grand Master and his officers. Many subjects of interest are discussed which are helpful to the Masters in their administration of their respective lodges and the co-operation that the D.D.G.M. receives from them.

The "44" Club of the District is still very active and is making a very commendable contribution to the Community and Craft. It has been my privilege as your representative to be a member of the Board of General Purposes of Grand Lodge. This has been of great assistance to me in my duties and I have been greatly impressed by the volume of business that is conducted by this Board, and how necessary it is to the proper functioning of the lodges throughout the Grand Jurisdiction.

The Twelfth Masonic District Meeting was held on the evening of January 29, 1951. Considering the very cold night the attendance was very good—190 present. You, Most Worshipful Sir, graced this meeting with your presence, accompanied by your Grand Lodge Officers.

The Lodges of the District presented their reports on their social and charitable activities. These reports are improving from year to year and the lodges are to be commended on the splendid work they are doing in their communities. The original of these reports has been forwarded to the Grand Secretary.

M.W. Bro. Harry B. Donnelly addressed the brethren. His subject being "The Square Shall Be The Guide To My Masonic Conduct." This excellent and impressive address was received with the enthusiasm by all present and must have left an impression on their minds as to their duties and conduct as Freemasons.

In accordance with section 41, of the constitution, the election for the incoming D.D.G.M. was held at this meeting. The arrangements and procedure of the election was ably conducted and resulted in the election of W. Bro. Matt Ferguson of Lord Selkirk Lodge No. 137, as D.D.G.M. elect, subject to the confirmation of the Grand Master elect at the Communication of Grand Lodge, June 13-14, 1951.

A report of the activities of the "44" Club was submitted by R.W. Bro. David Milliken, Past President. They have placed book projector machines and films in four Winnipeg Hospitals, and they are to be highly commended for the work they are doing, which brings a bit of happiness and comfort to those who are confined to their beds in these Institutions.

Your inspiring, instructive and interesting address, Most Worshipful Sir, was the conclusion to a very successful District Meeting. The brethren then retired to the Dining Hall for entertainment and refreshment.

The Seventh Annual District Ladies' Night was held in the Fort Garry Hotel, on Friday, March 30, 1951. This again proved to be a very successful and enjoyable social evening and I believe one of the outstanding occasions of its kind in the District. Our Annual Church Parade was held this year at Young United Church, on Sunday morning, April 29, 1951. I was pleased Most Worshipful Sir, to have you and a number of Grand Lodge Officers present on this occasion. Approximately Three hundred members of the Craft and a number of their ladies were in attendance. The service was conducted by Bro. Dr. W. E. Donnelly, who gave us a splendid and inspiring sermon on "Life's Temple—Foundations." What could be more challenging to the Masonic brethren than the words found in Dr. Donnelly's text, the 6th Chapter of Micah, Verse 8:

> "He has shewed thee, Oh man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love Mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?"

During my tenure of office, I had the pleasure, Most Worshipful Sir, of being with you on several of your Official visits and also to be with you at the Institution of three new lodges, namely Starbuck, U.D., Charleswood, U.D., and Ashlar U.D.

As your representative I was priviliged to attend a number of Masonic functions, such as Ladies' Nights, Church Services, the 75th Anniversary of St. John's Lodge No. 4, G.R.M., also the 75th Anniversary Service of Re-dedication held in the Auditorium on Sunday afternoon, October 29th. All occasions proved most profitable and enjoyable.

On March 29, 1951, R.W. Bro. A. C. Campbell, of Lord Selkirk Lodge, Past D.D.G.M. of this District was summoned to the Grand Lodge Above, although advanced in years he continued to take an active part in his Lodge, and will be greatly missed by his many friends. Mount Sinai Lodge No. 143, also mourns the loss of two of their Past Masters, W. Bro. Harry Kaplan and W. Bro. Fred Dubinsky, their secretary, who also will be greatly missed by Mount Sinai Lodge and their large circle of friends.

At this time I wish to express to you Most Worshipful Sir, to M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington, Grand Secretary, and R.W. Bro. Fred Blythe, Deputy Grand Master, many thanks for the help and advice, which was so readily given at all times. My thanks and appreciation to the Past District Deputy Grand Masters; Past Masters, Masters of the Lodges, and all the brethren of the Twelfth Masonic District for their splendid support and co-operation during my term, and finally my gratitude and thanks to my District Officers, W. Bro. Matt Ferguson, District Secretary; W. Bro. Sam Swanton, District Treasurer; and W. Bro. Chas. Bagnall, District Chaplain, for their sincere and untiring efforts on my behalf.

It is with some regrets that I finish my term of office. It has been a great privilege for me to serve as your District Deputy Grand Master for the year 1950-51. I deeply appreciate the honor that you have conferred upon me, for the experience that I have gained and the friendships that I have made during my tenure of office, for which I thank you. I sincerely hope that I have in some small way contributed something worthwhile to Freemasonry.

Fraternally submitted,

J. REID GLENN, D.D.G.M.

In Memoriam

DEDICATED
TO
THE DISTINGUISHED DEAD OF
SISTER
GRAND LODGES
1950

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

James Mackie

St. John's Lodge No. 4

District Deputy Grand Master, 1923
Grand Treasurer, 1924-5-6-7
Junior Grand Warden, 1930
Senior Grand Warden, 1931
Deputy Grand Master, 1932
Grand Master, 1933

DIED
April 25th, 1951

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

Russell J. Timms

Lebanon Lodge No. 43

Junior Grand Steward, 1945
District Deputy Grand Master, 1947

DIED
August 20th, 1950

Sidney Edward Lang

Lebanon Lodge No. 43
"The Assiniboine" Lodge No. 114

District Deputy Grand Master, 1900

DIED
November 6th, 1950

Daniel McLean

King Edward Lodge No. 93

District Deputy Grand Master, 1910

DIED
March 2nd, 1950

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

William McLellan

"The Assiniboine Lodge No. 114

Grand Pursuivant, 1932
District Deputy Grand Master, 1936

DIED
May 24th, 1950

Alfred Phillips

Fort Garry Lodge No. 130

Grand Organist, 1935
District Deputy Grand Master, 1940

DIED
March 28th, 1950

Thomas Lovell Bishop

McGreary Lodge No. 133

District Deputy Grand Master, 1936

DIED
November 23rd, 1950

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

William Elwood Wiltsey

Harmony Lodge No. 142

Junior Grand Steward, 1932
District Deputy Grand Master, 1943

DIED
November 25th, 1950

Ernest Baldwin Complin

Northren Light Lodge No. 10

Junior Grand Steward, 1941

DIED
July 3rd, 1950

Mitchell Cobban

Ionic Lodge No. 25

Junior Grand Deacon, 1948

DIED
September 11th, 1950

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

Donald Bruce Burn

Doric Lodge No. 36
Grand Steward, 1915

DIED
January 30th, 1950

David Henderson Taylor

Tweed Lodge No. 113
Junior Grand Deacon, 1929

DIED
August 1st, 1950

Alexander S. Pildrem

St. James Lodge No. 121
Grand Tyler, 1922

DIED
March 7th, 1950

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Madill, Henry J.	Dec. 7th, 1948	Prince Rupert's	1
Wise, H. A.	Jan. 2nd, 1950	Prince Rupert's	1
Walton, N. B.	Jan. 20th, 1950	Prince Rupert's	1
Scott, W. S.	Feb. 24th, 1950	Prince Rupert's	1
Hodgson, R. T.	Mar. 10th, 1950	Prince Rupert's	1
Bowen, L.	Apr. 15th, 1950	Prince Rupert's	1
Carroll, J. E.	Sept. 2nd, 1950	Prince Rupert's	1
Stewart, C. C.	Oct. 6th, 1950	Prince Rupert's	1
Harvey, J. G.	Nov. 12th, 1950	Prince Rupert's	1
Fogg, W. H.	Nov. 28th, 1950	Prince Rupert's	1
Kyle, J. H.	Apr. 3rd, 1950	Lisgar	2
McLenaghen, J. O.	June 23rd, 1950	Lisgar	2
Grant, J. C.	July 21st, 1950	Lisgar	2
Bryan, H. A. W.	Aug. 13th, 1950	Lisgar	2
Johannesson, B.	Sept. 17th, 1950	Lisgar	2
McKenzie, C. C.	Dec. 4th, 1950	Lisgar	2
Brown, Jas.	Dec. 31st, 1950	Lisgar	2
Hazell, R. J.	Jan. 14th, 1950	Ancient Landmark	3
Andrews, A. J.	Jan. 31st, 1950	Ancient Landmark	3
Finn, F.	Feb. 5th, 1950	Ancient Landmark	3
McNabb, O. G.	Apr. 14th, 1950	Ancient Landmark	3
MacIntosh, F.	May 17th, 1950	Ancient Landmark	3
Garrett, E. A.	Unknown	Ancient Landmark	3
Chowen, K.	July 18th, 1950	Ancient Landmark	3
Cranston, W.	Jan. 15th, 1950	St. John's	4
Johnston, R.	Mar. 30th, 1950	St. John's	4
Cumming, J. D.	May 23rd, 1950	St. John's	4
Shaw, E. A.	June. 6th, 1950	St. John's	4
Emery, J. C.	July 18th, 1950	St. John's	4
Mitchell, C. N.	July 10th, 1950	St. John's	4
McKean, A. R.	Aug. 11th, 1950	St. John's	4
Barrett, H. R.	Sept. 5th, 1950	St. John's	4
Hammill, T.	Sept. 24th, 1950	St. John's	4
Sommerfield, H. B.	Oct. 11th, 1950	St. John's	4
Hendricks, J. J.	Nov. 22nd, 1950	St. Johns	4
Bedwell, T. B.	June 12th, 1950	Emerson	6

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
McConaghey, F. J.	June 20th, 1950	Emerson	6
Spice, G. L.	Mar. 15th, 1950	Assiniboine	7
Hyde, J.	Apr. 20th, 1950	Assiniboine	7
Bell, W. G.	Aug. 9th, 1950	Assiniboine	7
Turner, F.	Dec. 13th, 1950	Assiniboine	7
Mills, P. V.	Dec. 23rd, 1950	Assiniboine	7
Brown, F. J.	Dec. 25th, 1950	Assiniboine	7
Muirhead, S. E.	June 10th, 1950	King Solomon	8
Hay, Jas.	July 9th, 1950	King Solomon	8
Cox, A. A.	Oct. 7th, 1950	King Solomon	8
Carlisle, W.	Jan. 1st, 1950	Northern Light	10
Ashworth, C. J.	Jan. 7th, 1950	Northern Light	10
Rhode, C. H.	Mar. 9th, 1950	Northern Light	10
McMahon, F. L.	Nov. 11th, 1950	Northern Light	10
Ronald, W. S.	Nov. 17th, 1950	Northern Light	10
Scully, J.	May 8th, 1950	Morden	13
Pederson, M. N.	Mar. 16th, 1950	Prince of Wales	14
Noble, R. H.	Oct. 30th, 1950	Prince of Wales	14
Kingdon, Wm.	Nov. 9th, 1950	Prince of Wales	14
Hunter, John	Feb. 4th, 1950	Corinthian	15
Govenlock, R. A.	Aug. 14th, 1950	Corinthian	15
Kerr, W. C.	Mar. 20th, 1950	Brandon	19
Clendening, W. E.	July 7th, 1950	Brandon	19
Stone, W. R.	Oct. 23rd, 1950	Brandon	19
Harden, W. D.	Dec. 17th, 1950	Brandon	19
Smith, J.	Feb. 23rd, 1950	Neepawa	24
Hamilton, W. J.	Oct. 26th, 1950	Neepawa	24
Hunt, R. C.	Dec. 15th, 1950	Neepawa	24
Patterson, A. S.	June 16th, 1949	Ionic	25
Forrest, D.	Feb. 9th, 1950	Ionic	25
Skaptason, J. B.	Apr. 27th, 1950	Ionic	25
Dudley, F.W.	June 9th, 1950	Ionic	25
Matthews, W. H.	June 15th, 1950	Ionic	25
Loudon, J. F.	Sept. 28th, 1950	Ionic	25
Collins, E. T.	Dec. 6th, 1950	Ionic	25

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Bloomfield, A.E.	Feb. 19th, 1950	Glenwood	27
McKellar, D. A.	Mar. 28th, 1950	Glenwood	27
McCulloch, W. C.	Sept. 1st, 1950	Glenwood	27
Calvert, J. A.	Sept. 20th, 1950	Carberry	29
Deason, J. E.	Jan. 15th, 1950	Manitou	30
Bowler, R. J. R.	Nov. 14th, 1950	Manitou	30
Melville, J. W. F.	Feb. 27th, 1950	Doric	36
McDonald, G. W.	Apr. 21st, 1950	Doric	36
Midwinter, W. J.	July 23rd, 1950	Birtle	39
Keel, Jas.	Sept. 29th, 1950	Birtle	39
Thomas, E. J.	Dec. 6th, 1950	Birtle	39
Hall, A. E.	May 22nd, 1950	Deloraine	40
Smith, F. C.	Nov. 10th, 1950	Deloraine	40
Milne, A.	June 5th, 1950	Lebanon	43
Baillie, J. L.	Oct. 21st, 1950	Oak Lake	44
Smith, A. W.	July 14th, 1950	Temple	49
Russell, G. E.	Mar. 19th, 1950	Killarney	50
Laird, D.	June 9th, 1950	Killarney	50
Ranton, W. K.	May 28th, 1950	Treherne	51
Henders, W. T.	Oct. 15th, 1950	Treherne	51
Shier, R. E.	May 22nd, 1950	Hartney	52
Robinson, C. H.	Oct. 12th, 1950	Hartney	52
Williams, L.	Apr. 29th, 1950	East Star	55
Hancock, Wm.	Apr. 17th, 1950	Russell	62
Stewart, W. J.	Sept. 2nd, 1950	Russell	62
Stevenson, D. G.	Nov. 13th, 1950	Holland	63
McMillan, J. C.	May 21st, 1950	Wawanesa	67
Forbes, R. W.	Jan. 24th, 1950	Vermillion	68
Brander, R.	Apr. 15th, 1950	Vermillion	68
Ireland, G. R.	Aug. 9th, 1950	Vermillion	68
Jones, D. W.	Aug. 28th, 1950	Vermillion	68
Edwards, W. V.	Jan. 17th, 1950	Shiloh	70
McLennon, K. F.	Feb. 4th, 1950	Shiloh	70
McLaren, D. B.	Mar. 17th, 1950	Shiloh	70
Hawley, A.	May 7th, 1950	Shiloh	70

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
McGregor, D.	Sept. 24th, 1950	Elkhorn	74
Hay, W. J.	June 1st, 1950	Gothic	75
Cunningham, C.	Oct. 1st, 1950	Gothic	75
Taylor, L. S.	Aug. 20th, 1950	Hamiota	84
Reid, T. H.	Apr. 11th, 1950	Elgin	86
Strathern, A.	Sept. 11th, 1950	Rathwell	87
Graham, W. G.	Sept. 9th, 1950	Midlothian	90
Denmark, A. G.	Jan. 10th, 1949	Shoal Lake	92
Nickel, C. K.	May 4th, 1949	Shoal Lake	92
Hadland, W.	Feb. 23rd, 1950	Shoal Lake	92
Moffett, D.	May, 21st, 1950	Shoal Lake	92
Burgess, G. R.	Mar. 12th, 1950	King Edward	93
McKeown, J.	May 12th, 1950	King Edward	93
Woolley	June 4th, 1950	King Edward	93
Lewis, Wm.	Aug. 25th, 1950	King Edward	93
McCarthy, D.	Sept. 2nd, 1950	King Edward	93
Sprankling, J. T.	Sept. 1st, 1950	King Edward	93
Powers, E.	Nov. 3rd, 1950	King Edward	93
Taylor, A. J.	Nov. 9th, 1950	King Edward	93
Hay, J. G.	Nov. 14th, 1950	King Edward	93
Ryland, J. E.	Nov. 22nd, 1950	King Edward	93
Howell, A. B.	July 22nd, 1950	Hiram	94
Murdock, B. M.	June 14th, 1950	Binscarth	101
Hall, D.	Nov. 13th, 1950	Binscarth	101
Guthrie, P.	Feb. 24th, 1950	Reston	104
Richardson, J.	Mar. 20th, 1950	Reston	104
Evans, M. G.	Sept. 6th,1950	Reston	104
Smith, A. E.	Nov. 29th, 1950	Reston	104
Wray, A.	Dec. 15th, 1950	Reston	104
Gray, J. W.	May 26th, 1950	Prince Arthur	105
Talbot, H. A.	1950	Prince Arthur	105
Hill, B.	Dec. 29th, 1950	Prince Arthur	105
McKinnon, D.	Apr. 11th, 1950	Strathclair	106
Cotter, W. H.	Apr. 27th, 1950	Kilwinning	110
Coutts, G.	July 18th, 1950	Acacia	111

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Barrett, H. R.	Aug. 5th, 1950	Acacia	111
Morgan, J.	Nov. 11th, 1950	Acacia	111
McKay, J. H.	Aug. 20th, 1950	Ophir	112
Pope, T. A.	Apr. 2nd, 1950	Tweed	113
Officer, J. A.	Apr. 8th, 1950	Tweed	113
Robinson, J.	July 22nd, 1950	Tweed	113
Case, F. C.	Aug. 13th, 1950	Tweed	113
Forshaw, J. H.	Oct. 3rd, 1950	Tweed	113
Matthews, J. E.	Nov. 24th, 1950	Tweed	113
McGaw, W. E.	Jan. 1st, 1950	"The Assiniboine"	114
Lumby, J. T. R.	Apr. 6th, 1950	"The Assiniboine"	114
Dudley, J. E.	June 6th, 1950	"The Assiniboine"	114
Jones, M.	Oct. 25th, 1950	"The Assiniboine"	114
Tarr, E. J.	Nov. 7th, 1950	"The Assiniboine"	114
Luke, F. E. H.	Nov. 21st, 1950	"The Assiniboine"	114
Perfect, R.	Jan. 18th, 1950	Mound	118
Milne, W. T.	June 23rd, 1950	Norwood	119
Witty, J. R.	Oct. 6th, 1950	Penza	120
Brown, C. B.	Mar. 5th, 1950	St. James	121
Hardy, G. E.	Mar. 16th, 1950	St. James	121
Large, J.C.	Apr. 27th, 1950	St. James	121
Lawrence, J. H.	Aug. 20th, 1950	St. James	121
Snare, R. F.	Aug. 31st, 1950	St. James	121
Blake, C. V.	Sept. 14th, 1950	St. James	121
Bowley, H. J.	Feb. 14th, 1950	Roblin	122
Yeo, T. A.	Feb. 17th, 1950	Roblin	122
Lawrence, F. J.	Feb. 14th, 1950	Roblin	122
Entwistle, P.	Feb. 20th, 1950	Transcona	123
Arnold, H. A.	June 12th, 1950	Transcona	123
Wallace. G.	July, 1st, 1950	Patricia	125
Wright, J. W.	Mar. 6th, 1950	Empire	127
Rollins, A. W.	May 15th, 1950	Empire	127
Campbell, S. A.	May 19th, 1950	Empire	127
Hawe, K. A.	Jan. 17th, 1950	Victory	128
Whiteside, W. J.	July 19th, 1950	Fort Garry	130
Adams, A.	Aug. 2nd, 1950	Fort Garry	130

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Aidiss, E. F.	Jan. 23rd, 1950	Kildonan	131
Brown, T. H. (Jr.)	Feb. 23rd, 1950	Kildonan	131
Kliman, M.	Sept. 15th, 1950	McCreary	133
Linton, W.	Jan. 6th, 1950	Capitol	136
Simpson, R.	Jan. 6th, 1950	Capitol	136
Britnell, W. H.	Feb. 1st, 1950	Capitol	136
Giles, J.	July 1st, 1950	Capitol	136
Spencer, A. C.	Aug. 3rd, 1950	Capitol	136
McIlvride, J. A.	Oct. 30th, 1950	Capitol	136
Reid, J.	Apr. 18th, 1950	Lord Selkirk	137
Palmer, W. E.	May 16th, 1950	Lord Selkirk	137
Watson, G. D.	Nov. 19th, 1950	Lord Selkirk	137
Rose, H. E.	May 23rd, 1950	Windsor	138
Hague, O. G.	June 10th, 1950	Windsor	138
Alcorn, A.	June 1st, 1950	Beaver	139
Caney, C. T.	Nov. 18th, 1950	Beaver	139
Briggs, T. A.	Feb. 4th, 1950	Meridian	140
Lee, C. R.	Aug. 6th, 1950	Meridian	140
Robertson, J.	Oct. 2nd, 1950	Meridian	140
Young, A. C.	Nov. 17th, 1950	Meridian	140
Huxley, Wm.	1947	Tuscan	141
Hyndman, J. A.	Feb. 20th, 1950	Harmony	142
Harris, M.	Aug. 22nd, 1950	Mt. Sinai	143
Rennie, S. J.	Feb. 17th, 1950	Sturgeon Creek	145
Elliott, E. J.	Apr. 25th, 1950	Sturgeon Creek	145
Guilbert, E. C.	July 15th, 1950	Sturgeon Creek	145
Tullock, B.	Oct. 21st, 1950	Sturgeon Creek	145
Buffie, W.	Jan. 3rd, 1950	Fidelity	146
Gamble, A.	June 2nd, 1950	Fidelity	146
Noble, Wm.	July 7th, 1950	Fidelity	146
Mordue, D. A.	Sept. 7th, 1950	Fidelity	146
Cresworth, W.	Nov. 15th, 1950	Seven Oaks	148
Melhuish, E.	May 7th, 1950	The Dormer	151
Kooyman, W. H.	Aug. 26th, 1950	The Dormer	151
Statham, A. B.	Nov. 13th, 1950	The Dormer	151
Snelgrove, J. A.	May 11th, 1950	Flin Flon	153

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Myers, R.W.	Dec. 10th, 1950	Flin Flon	153
Stone, E. R.	Dec. 11th, 1950	Carman	155
Offer, F. M.	May 13th, 1950	Fenwick	158
Dummert, G. A.	Oct. 30th, 1950	Fenwick	158
Harden, W. D.	Dec. 18th, 1950	Fenwick	158
King, W. J.	Apr. 3rd, 1950	Newdale	159

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Blanchard, C. H.	Dec. 19th, 1950	Lisgar	2
Eggertson, A. G.	Dec. 19th, 1950	Lisgar	2
Laxdall, J. K.	Dec. 19th, 1950	Lisgar	2
Edwards, C.	Jan. 16th, 1950	Ancient Landmark	3
Moulder, M.	Jan. 16th, 1950	Ancient Landmark	3
Cameron, D. A.	May 3rd, 1950	St. John's	4
Witty, J. K.	June 30th, 1950	Emerson	6
Martin, A. W.	Jan. 24th. 1950	Assiniboine	7
Grant, E. W. E.	Dec. 31st, 1950	Assiniboine	7
Smith, M. B.	Dec. 31st, 1950	Assiniboine	7
Sanders, R. M.	Dec. 12th, 1950	King Solomon	8
Hawgood, T.	Sept. 21st, 1950	Northern Light	10
Fairbairn, Wm.	Oct. 19th, 1950	Northern Light	10
Smythe, W. J.	Jan. 9th, 1950	Gladstone	11
Couzens, J. H.	Jan. 6th, 1950	Stonewall	12
Gourd, H. D.	May 4th, 1950	Stonewall	12
Cronmiller, L. M.	Nov. 2nd, 1950	Stonewall	12
Carlson, P. C.	Jan. 12th, 1950	Prince of Wales	14
Anderson, B. B.	Mar. 9th, 1950	Prince of Wales	14
Kruger, W. E.	Nov. 1st, 1950	Brandon	19
Adam, F.	Feb. 14th, 1950	Neepawa	24
Helston, M. W.	Dec. 12th, 1950	Neepawa	24
Hughes, K. S.	Dec. 12th, 1950	Neepawa	24
Keir, W. H.	Jan. 9th, 1950	Ionic	25
Tinkler, F.	Nov 6th, 1950	Ionic	25
Bradley, F. R.	Dec. 5th, 1950	Ionic	25
Reid, J. S. R.	Dec. 5th, 1950	Ionic	25
Broad, R. E.	Jan. 24th, 1950	Glenwood	27
Weeks, R. E.	July 5th, 1950	Glenwood	27
Frosst, S.	July 5th, 1949	Carberry	29
McFarland, W. A. L.	Jan. 9th, 1950	Manitou	30
Holman, C. C.	Dec. 4th, 1950	Manitou	30
Jelly, B. L.	Dec. 4th, 1950	Manitou	30
Munro, H. G.	Dec. 27th, 1950	Doric	36
Noton, G. D.	Dec. 27th, 1950	Doric	36
Vicars, J. H.	Dec. 27th, 1950	Doric	36
Gilbert, R. T.	Nov. 20th, 1950	Birtle	39
Milne, Jas.	Nov. 20th, 1950	Birtle	39
McDonald, P. J.	Dec. 20th, 1950	Deloraine	40
Wilson, A.G.	Jan. 3rd, 1950	Lebanon	43
Johnson, C. W.	May 2nd, 1950	Lebanon	43
Steeves, W. M.	June 6th, 1950	Lebanon	43
Turner, F. B.	Nov. 7th, 1950	Lebanon	43

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Bonnis, W.	Dec. 14th, 1950	Oak Lake	44
Stevens, R. F.	Dec. 14th, 1950	Oak Lake	44
Bollman, C. D.	Jan. 10th, 1950	Glenboro	48
McDonald, M. A.	Jan. 20th, 1950	Temple	49
Cairns, Thos.	Feb. 20th, 1950	Killarney	50
Spalding, F. S.	June 19th, 1950	Killarney	50
Gault, F. W. C.	Dec. 18th, 1950	Killarney	50
Riddell, C.	Nov. 24th, 1950	Treherne	51
Elwick, N. A.	Dec. 22nd, 1950	Treherne	51
Clack, J. E.	Dec. 22nd, 1950	Treherne	51
Brown, J. A.	Dec. 27th, 1950	Hartney	52
McBride, S.	Dec. 27th, 1950	Hartney	52
Welsh, L. J.	Dec. 27th, 1950	Hartney	52
Harvey, S. S.	Nov. 28th, 1950	Oriental	54
Loewen, J. P.	Dec. 31st, 1950	Oriental	54
Quinn, J.	Jan. 10th, 1950	Russell	62
McNeill, J. E.	Dec. 12th, 1950	Russell	62
Geib, G.	Dec. 12th, 1950	Russell	62
Knisley, A. S.	Dec. 13th, 1950	Holland	63
Saunders, T.	Dec. 13th, 1950	Holland	63
Fenwick, T. P.	Jan. 7th, 1950	Composite	64
Lundy, J. C.	Dec. 22nd, 1950	Composite	64
Routley, E. W.	April 10th, 1950	Vermillion	68
Tenenhouse, I.	Nov. 7th, 1950	Vermillion	68
Burns, R. S.	Dec. 11th, 1950	Elkhorn	74
Arthur, C.	Nov. 8th, 1950	Gothic	75
Hicks, H. V.	Feb. 2nd, 1950	Napinka	77
Sparrow, R.	May 4th, 1950	Napinka	77
Owens, F. A.	Jan. 23rd.1950	Cypress	82
Preston, R. H.	Nov. 27th, 1950	Cypress	82
Harper, H. C.	Oct. 14th, 1950	Elgin	86
Smith, H. H.	Nov. 9th, 1950	Shoal Lake	92
Armour, R.	Dec. 20th, 1950	King Edward	93
English, A.	Dec. 20th, 1950	King Edward	93
Adam, L. J.	Oct. 11th, 1950	Robbie Burns	100
Fox, S. W.	Dec. 13th, 1950	Robbie Burns	100
Mazure, M.	May 15th, 1950	Binscarth	101
Brattan, J.	Jan. 12th, 1950	Reston	104
Naish, C. G.	Mar. 4th, 1950	Prince Arthur	105
Goldstein, P.	Sept. 7th, 1950	Prince Arthur	105
Bartley, J. F.	Dec. 7th, 1950	Prince Arthur	105
Baudin, R. H. E.	Dec. 7th, 1950	Prince Arthur	105
English, E. S.	Dec. 7th, 1950	Prince Arthur	105

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
White, J. C.	Mar. 2nd, 1950	Kilwinning	110
Geall, H.	Dec. 13th, 1950	Acacia	111
Morton, A.	Jan. 17th, 1950	Tweed	113
Hodson, A. R. J.	May 16th, 1950	Tweed	113
Ryles, F.	Oct. 17th, 1950	Tweed	113
Craig, D.	Nov. 21st, 1950	Tweed	113
Davies, A. D.	Nov. 21st, 1950	Tweed	113
Pearson, G. P.	Nov. 21st, 1950	Tweed	113
Wise, J. A.	Feb. 7th, 1950	"The Assiniboine"	114
Gardner, W. A.	Oct. 3rd, 1950	"The Assiniboine"	114
Readhead, R. H.	Dec. 31st, 1950	"The Assiniboine"	114
Seibert, F. V.	Dec. 31st, 1950	"The Assiniboine"	114
Watts, E. W.	Dec. 31st, 1950	"The Assiniboine"	114
Wills, Geo.	Mar. 29th, 1950	Rivers	115
MacArthur, D. A.	Dec. 12th, 1950	Rivers	115
Mills, K. B.	Nov. 10th, 1950	Strathcona	117
Macdonnell, M. B.	Nov. 28th, 1950	Strathcona	117
Skinner, A. W.	Dec. 7th, 1950	Strathcona	117
McKillop, D. B.	Jan. 12th, 1950	Norwood	119
Scott, A. O.	Jan. 12th, 1950	Norwood	119
Hewish, A.	Sept. 14th, 1950	Norwood	119
Main, T. C.	Sept. 14th, 1950	Norwood	119
Deane, F. W.	Dec 14th, 1950	Norwood	119
King, D.	Dec 14th, 1950	Norwood	119
Michie, A.	Dec 14th, 1950	Norwood	119
Sails, F.	Feb. 6th, 1950	St. James	121
Birch, L. W.	Feb. 8th, 1950	St. James	121
Baskier, E. E.	Dec. 13th, 1950	St. James	121
McKeown, E.	Dec. 1st, 1950	Transcona	123
Brown, H. D. P.	May 4th, 1950	The Pas	124
Beck, L. J.	Nov. 1st, 1950	Patricia	125
Halliday, J.	Jan. 9th, 1950	Empire	127
Hall, C. M.	Apr. 19th, 1950	Victory	128
Wooster, A. E.	Oct. 11th, 1950	Fort Garry	130
Thitchener, L. W.	Dec. 13th, 1950	Fort Garry	130
Hutchings, S. F.	Feb. 14th, 1950	Kildonan	131
Bartholomew, W. G.	Sept. 12th, 1950	Kildonan	131
Stewart, A. M.	Oct. 10th, 1950	Kildonan	131
Gibson, G. E.	Dec. 12th, 1950	Kildonan	131
Morrison, W. R.	Dec. 12th, 1950	Kildonan	131
Thomson, J.	Dec. 12th, 1950	Kildonan	131
McQuinn, J. C.	June 14th, 1950	Sprague	132
Bongfeldt A.	Sept. 13th, 1950	Sprague	132

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
French, E. W.	Jan. 5th, 1950	Stony Mountain	134
Morrison, C. H.	May 5th, 1950	Stony Mountain	134
Wellensick, G.	Nov. 30th, 1950	Capitol	136
Tyson, L. M.	Oct. 11th, 1950	Lord Selkirk	137
Rollerson, W.	Jan. 9th, 1950	Windsor	138
Dalton, W. H.	Mar. 13th, 1950	Windsor	138
Frankham, H. D. L.	Oct. 16th, 1950	Windsor	138
Brennan, A. E.	Mar. 9th, 1950	Beaver	139
Kerope, Chas.	May 5th, 1950	Beaver	139
Whyte, C. S.	Oct. 12th, 1950	Beaver	139
Goodwin, E. H.	Dec. 8th, 1950	Beaver	139
Hardman, J.	Dec. 8th, 1950	Beaver	139
Smee, A. E.	Dec. 8th, 1950	Beaver	139
Hepburn, N. Mc.	Dec. 31st, 1950	Beaver	139
Kellam, B. A.	Dec. 31st, 1950	Beaver	139
Chapple, W. D.	Nov. 16th, 1950	Meridian	140
Cox, S. J.	Dec. 21st, 1950	Meridian	140
Edwards, C. A.	Dec. 21st, 1950	Meridian	140
Hale, W. H.	Oct. 13th, 1950	Tuscan	141
Ould, K. P.	Nov. 10th, 1950	Tuscan	141
Dilley, H.	1948	Tuscan	141
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Smith, F. G.	Dec. 12th, 1950	Harmony	142
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Henrickson, F. C.	Nov. 7th, 1950	Fort Osborne	144
McIntosh, D.	Jan. 9th, 1950	Sturgeon Creek	145
Gregory, B. J.	Nov. 6th, 1950	Sturgeon Creek	145
Searles, F. D.	Dec. 4th, 1950	Sturgeon Creek	145
Thompson, A.M.	Dec. 4th, 1950	Sturgeon Creek	145
Moody, W. G.	Dec. 6th, 1950	Sturgeon Creek	145
Forbes, J. A.	May 5th, 1950	Fidelity	146
Thompson, G. R.	May 5th, 1950	Fidelity	146
Davies, W. D.	Sept. 1st, 1950	Fidelity	146
Ross, W. L.	Nov. 27th, 1950	Cartwright	150
Scandrett, R. M.	Nov. 27th, 1950	Cartwright	150
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1875	*Rev. W. C. Clarke	*Hon. W. N. Kennedy	*Jas. Henderson	*S. L. Bedson	*Col. Jno. Kennedy	*John H. Bell	*H. T. Champion	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1876	*Hon. W. N. Kennedy	*Jas. Henderson	*S. L. Bedson	*G. F. Newcomb	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*Jno. W. Harris	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1877	*G. F. Newcomb	*Jas. Henderson	*Jno. W. Harris	*E. G. Conklin	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*Col. Jno. Kennedy	*Rev. Canon S. P. Matheson
1878	*G. F. Newcomb	*Jno. W. Harris	*Simon Duffin	*F. T. Bradley	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*Col. Jno. Kennedy	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1879	*Rev. Canon S. P. Matheson	*Jno. W. Harris	*Simon Duffin	*R. McCuaig	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*James Munroe	*Rev. James Flett
1880	*John H. Bell	*E. G. Conklin	*Hon. G. McMicken	*J. M. McGregor	†J. J. Johnston	*Wm. G. Scott	*D. G. Dick	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1881	*John H. Bell	*Wm. G. Scott	*D. B. Murray	*C. F. Forrest	†J. J. Johnston	*Jas. Henderson	*D. G. Dick	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1882	*John H. Bell	*Wm. G. Scott	*Alfred Pearson	*C. F. Forrest	†J. J. Johnston		*D. G. Dick	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1883	*John H. Bell	*D. B. Murray	*R. McCuaig	†John Smith	†J. J. Johnston	*Wm. G. Scott	*D. Young	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1884	*John H. Bell	*C. F. Forrest	*Rev. J. M. Wellwood	†N. J. Lindsay	†J. J. Johnston	*Wm. G. Scott	†Wm. Simpson	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1885	*C. F. Forrest	*Alfred Pearson	*Peter McGregor	†Thos. Colins	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*J. W. H. Wilson	*Rev. J. M. Wellwood
1886	*Alfred Pearson	*Peter McGregor	*J. W. H. Wilson	*J. K. Brydon	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*Wm. G. Bell	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1887	*Thomas Clark	†John A. Kerr	*James A. Ovas	*Wm. G. Bell	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*Jas. S. Greig	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1888	*Thomas Clark	*James A. Ovas	*Wm. G. Bell	R. C. Brown	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	†Joseph Daniel	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1889	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara	*Wm. G. Bell	*Thos. L. Morton	†Thos. McPherson	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*James A. Payne	Rev. Arthur W. Goulding
1890	*James A. Ovas	*Wm. G. Bell	†Thos. McPherson	*Fred L. Newman	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*R. W. Woodroofe	Rev. Arthur W. Goulding
1891	*Wm. G. Bell	*J. W. H. Wilson	*Rich'd D. Foley	*John Leslie	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*James G. Dagg	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton

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1892	*J. W. H. Wilson	*D. J. Goggin	*F. G. Lewin	*Thos. Robinson	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*Wm. A. Windatt	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton
1893	*D. J. Goggin	*Thos. Robinson	*Thos. Tweed	*Corbet Locke	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*J. H. Munson	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton
1894	*Thomas Tweed	*Charles N. Bell	*Corbet Locke	*Hugh U. Bain	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	†Rev. A. W. F. Cooper	*Rev. C. B. Pitblado
1895	*Charles N. Bell	*Corbet Locke	*John Leslie	*Geo. B. Murphy	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*John Chambers	*Rev. C. B. Pitblado
1896	*Corbet Locke	*John Leslie	*Fred L. Newman	†F. T. English	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	†C. N. Mitchell	*Rev. J. W. Matheson
1897	*Thomas Robinson	*Geo. B. Murphy	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton	†Wm. Crawford	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*J. O. Smith	*Rev. A. Chisholm
1898	*Geo. B. Murphy	*H. J. Eberts	*R. S. Thornton	*Wm. A. Windatt	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*Edgar W. Rugg	†Rev. C. R. Littler
1899	*John Leslie	*R. S. Thornton	*W. A. Windatt	*S. B. Jamieson	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	†J. A. Sutherland	†Rev. J. W. Muirhead
1900	*R. S. Thornton	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton	*Wm. Fenwick	*R. Hill Myers	*John McKechnie	*James A. Ovas	*E. A. Braithwaite	*Rev. A. B. Baird
1901	*R. S. Thornton	*R. Hill Myers	*E. A. Braithwaite	*Rev. A. Chisholm	*John McKechnie	*James A. Ovas	*James M. Suttie	*Rev. A. B. Baird
1902	*R. Hill Myers	*E. A. Braithwaite	*Rev. A. Chisholm	*Geo. W. Baker	*John McKechnie	*James A. Ovas	†Geo. H. Webster	†Rev. Geo. H. Webb
1903	*E. A. Braithwaite	*Rev. A. Chisholm	*Wm. G. Scott	*H. H. Campkin	*John McKechnie	*James A. Ovas	*R. P. Crookshank	†Rev. Geo. H. Webb
1904	*Rev. A. Chisholm	*Wm. G. Scott	*H. H. Campkin	*James Scroggie	*John McKechnie	*James A. Ovas	†O. E. S. Whiteside	Rev. John Wells.
1905	*Wm. G. Scott	*H. H. Campkin	*James Scroggie	*Henry J. Pugh	*John McKechnie	*James A. Ovas	*John R. Grant	†Rev. Geo. H. Hogbin
1906	*John McKechnie	*James Scroggie	*Henry J. Pugh	*James D. Baine	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*Arthur H. Smith	*Rev. Jas. L. Gordon
1907	*James Scroggie	*Henry J. Pugh	*James D. Baine	*John Wemyss	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*Robert Magness	*Rev. Jas. L. Gordon
1908	*Henry J. Pugh	*James D. Baine	*John Wemyss	*Wm. Chambers	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*A. N. Macpherson	Rev. Thos. Neville

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1909	*James D. Baine	*Geo. W. Baker	*John Wemyss	*Wm. Chambers	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*Joseph Greenfield	*Rev. Wm. Robertson
1910	*Geo. W. Baker	*John Wemyss	*Wm. Chambers	*Ed. M. Walker	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*Jas. E. Maynard	*Rev. Wm. Robertson
1911	*John Wemyss	*Wm. Chambers	*Ed. M. Walker	*Lynds S. Vaughan	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*R. W. A. Rolph	Rev. Frederick W. Goodeve
1912	*Wm. Chambers	*Ed. M. Walker	*Lynds S. Vaughan	*Henry E. Bletcher	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*John Colwell	Rev. Frederick W. Goodeve
1913	*Ed. M. Walker	*Lynds S. Vaughan	*Henry E. Bletcher	*Percy E. Kellett	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*Robert L. Ross	Rev. Sydney D. Thomas
1914	*Lynds S. Vaughan	*William Fenwick	*Henry E. Bletcher	*Percy E. Kellett	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*J. M. Robinson	*Rev. Peter E. Scott
1915	*William Fenwick	*Henry E. Bletcher	*Percy E. Kellett	Ed. T. Greenway	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*Jno. Macwhirter	*Rev. Thos. G. Bethell
1916	*Henry E. Bletcher	*Percy E. Kellett	Ed. T. Greenway	*Alex. McIntyre	*James G. Dagg	*James A. Ovas	C. F. Hasselfield	*Rev. James S. Miller
1917	*Percy E. Kellett	Ed. T. Greenway	*Alex. McIntyre	Albert J. Hatcher	*James G. Dagg	*James A. Ovas	*Jno. J. Jackson	*Rev. Thos. G. Bethell
1918	Ed. T. Greenway	*Alex. McIntyre	Albert J. Hatcher	*Geo. N. Jackson	*James G. Dagg	*James A. Ovas	....	*Rev. Thos. G. Bethell
1919	*Alex. McIntyre	Albert J. Hatcher	*Geo. N. Jackson	*Rev. A. B. Baird	Wm. J. Major	*James A. Ovas	....	Rev. James W. Anderson
1920	Albert J. Hatcher	*Geo. N. Jackson	*Rev. A. B. Baird	Wm. J. Major	*Jabez Miller	*James A. Ovas	....	*Rev. Chas. E. Somerset
1921	*Geo. N. Jackson	*Rev. A. B. Baird	Wm. J. Major	Jas. S. MacEwing	*Jabez Miller	*James A. Ovas	....	*Rev. Chas. E. Somerset
1922	*Rev. A. B. Baird	Wm. J. Major	Jas. S. MacEwing	A. L. Crossin	*Jabez Miller	*James A. Ovas	....	*Rev. Chas. E. Somerset
1923	Wm. J. Major	Jas. S. MacEwing	Albert L. Crossin	*J. C. Walker Reid	*Jabez Miller	*James A. Ovas	....	†Rev. Wm. C. Cunningham
1924	Jas. S. MacEwing	Albert L. Crossin	*J. C. Walker Reid	*Jabez Miller	*James Mackie	*James A. Ovas	....	†Rev. Wm. C. Cunningham
1925	Albert L. Crossin	*J. C. Walker Reid	*Jabez Miller	*Murdo A. Whimster	*James Mackie	*James A. Ovas	....	*Rev. Andrew T. Norquay

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1926	*J. C. Walker Reid	*Jabez Miller	*Murdo A. Whimster	William Douglas	*James Mackie	*James A. Ovas	....	*Rev. Andrew T. Norquay
1927	*Jabez Miller	*Murdo A. Whimster	William Douglas	George Hunter	*James Mackie	*James A. Ovas	....	Rev. George W. Findlay
1928	*Murdo A. Whimster	William Douglas	George Hunter	Norman J. Black	*Wm. M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas	....	Rev. George W. Findlay
1929	William Douglas	George Hunter	Norman J. Black	David S. Woods	*Wm. M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas	....	Rev. George W. Findlay
1930	George Hunter	Norman J. Black	David S. Woods	*James Mackie	*Wm. M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas	....	Rev. G. A. Woodside
1931	Norman J. Black	David S. Woods	*James Mackie	*Henry L. Adolph	*Wm. M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas	....	Rev. G. A. Woodside
1932	David S. Woods	*James Mackie	*Henry L. Adolph	Royal Burritt	*Alex. Burgess	*James A. Ovas	....	Rt. Rev. W. W. H. Thomas
1933	*James Mackie	*Henry L. Adolph	Royal Burritt	*Harry Woods	*Alex. Burgess	*James A. Ovas	....	Rt. Rev. W. W. H. Thomas
1934	*Henry L. Adolph	Royal Burritt	*Harry Woods	*John T. Boyd	*Alex. Burgess	*James A. Ovas	....	†Rev. George R. Calvert
1935	Royal Burritt	*Harry Woods	*John T. Boyd	Robert Hawkins	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell	....	†Dean George R. Calvert
1936	*Harry Woods	*John T. Boyd	Robert Hawkins	W. D. Lawrence	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell	....	Rev. Thomas Neville
1937	*John T. Boyd	Robert Hawkins	W. D. Lawrence	*J. J. Henderson	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell	....	*Rev. Harry Sherstone
1938	Robert Hawkins	W. D. Lawrence	*J. J. Henderson	†Dean G.R. Calvert	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell	....	*Rev. Harry Sherstone
1939	W. D. Lawrence	*J. J. Henderson	†Dean G.R. Calvert	S. H. Fahrni	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell	....	Rev. P. T. Pilkey
1940	*J. J. Henderson	†Dean G. R. Calvert	S. H. Fahrni	Ben C. Parker	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell	....	Rev. P. T. Pilkey
1941	†Dean G. R. Calvert	S. H. Fahrni	Ben. C. Parker	Sam Burland	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell	....	Rev. P. T. Pilkey
1942	S. H. Fahrni	Ben C. Parker	Sam Burland	Dr. P. T. Pilkey	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell	....	Rev. J. L. McInnis
1943	Ben C. Parker	Sam Burland	Dr. P. T. Pilkey	M. S. Donovan	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell	....	Rev. J. L. McInnis

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1944	Sam. Burland	Dr. P. T. Pilkey	M. S. Donovan	H. B. Donnelly	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell	....	Rev. H. B. Wallace
1945	Dr. P. T. Pilkey	M. S. Donovan	H. B. Donnelly	W. C. McDonald	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell	....	Rev. H. B. Wallace
1946	M. S. Donovan	H. B. Donnelly	W. C. McDonald	Harry Coddington	*Alex. Burgess	Dr. P. T. Pilkey	....	†Rev. E. A. Syms
1947	H. B. Donnelly	W. C. McDonald	Harry Coddington	Chas. E. Cole	*Alex. Burgess	Dr. P. T. Pilkey	....	†Rev. E. A. Syms
1948	W. C. McDonald	Harry Coddington	Chas. E. Cole	*Hugh A. Innes	W. Percy White	Dr. P. T. Pilkey	....	Rev. R. S. Montgomery
1949	Harry Coddington	Chas. E. Cole	*Hugh A. Innes	G. A. McMorran	W. Percy White	Dr. P. T. Pilkey	....	Rev. R. S. Montgomery
1950	Chas. E. Cole	F. H. Blythe	G. A. McMorran	H. H. Gray	W. Percy White	Harry Coddington	....	Rev. Canon Fredk. Hughes
1951	F. H. Blythe	G. A. McMorran	H. H. Gray	J. R. C. Evans	W. Percy White	Harry Coddington	....	Rev. Canon Fredk. Hughes

* Dead †. Removed from Jurisdiction

LODGE DIRECTORY

No.	Name of Lodge	P.O. Address	Master	Secretary	Time of Regular Meeting
1	Prince Rupert's	Winnipeg	J. E. Fraser	W. K. Mulock	Third Tuesday
2	Lisgar	Selkirk	D. G. Bain	R. M. Muckle	Third Tuesday
A— 3	Ancient Landmark	Winnipeg	W. E. Thompson	W. F. Hutton	Third Monday
A— 4	St. John's	Winnipeg	B. S. Parker	T. L. Dodsworth	First Wednesday
6	Emerson	Emerson	J. B. Andrews	K. C. R. Coulter	Third Thursday
7	Assiniboine	Portage la Prairie	R. E. Braden	R. A. Price	Third Monday
8	King Solomon	Morris	C. C. Dixon	O. B. Cossitt	Second Tuesday
10	Northern Light	Winnipeg	S. H. Muton	Robt. Collier	Third Thursday
A— 11	Gladstone	Gladstone	T. H. Bell	C. Wallis	Second Monday
12	Stonewall	Stonewall	S. J. Heggie	M. R. Good	First Thursday
13	Morden	Morden	B. F. Farquharson	Wm. Godfrey	Third Thursday
14	Prince of Wales	Minnedosa	H. M. Stephenson	J. G. Fasken	Second Thursday
15	Corinthian	Rapid City	J. Hunter	J. G. Shand	First Tuesday
19	Brandon	Brandon	J. J. Wall	A. G. Warr	Second Tuesday
A— 24	Neepawa	Neepawa	Wm. Allen	Arthur Clark	Second Tuesday
25	Ionic	Winnipeg	H. V. Dimock	E. L. Hardie	First Monday
27	Glenwood	Souris	W. M. Frame	Dr. H. A. Croll	Fourth Friday
29	Carberry	Carberry	E. A. Berry	C. Barlow	Third Tuesday
30	Manitou	Manitou	W. H. McKinney	H. H. Black	First Monday
36	Doric	Boissevain	T. E. Fleming	A. W. Vincent	Fourth Tuesday
39	Birtle	Birtle	H. A. Barker	Geo. S. Barker	Third Monday
40	Deloraine	Deloraine	H. A. Gall	J. R. Colville	Third Wednesday
43	Lebanon	Virden	J. C. Anderson	C. Moore	First Tuesday
44	Oak Lake	Oak Lake	L. H. Schmaus	J. D. Bell	Second Thursday
A— 48	Glenboro	Glenboro	G. E. Bridle	G. M. Smith	Second Tuesday
49	Temple	MacGregor	R. J. Shaw	H. I. Collins	Third Tuesday
50	Killarney	Killarney	G. C. Cowan	J. C. Bate	Third Monday
51	Treherne	Treherne	L. F. Matchett	L. E. Staples	Friday on or before full moon
52	Hartney	Hartney	W. L. Chapin	J. L. Crowe	First Tuesday
54	Oriental	Melita	E. H. Russell	J. G. Cobb	Fourth Tuesday
55	East Star	Gretna	H. F. Friesen	C. L. Hayward	First Thursday
62	Russell	Russell	J. Donoghue	C. E. Whitmer	Second Tuesday
63	Holland	Holland	A. Thompson	Jas. Murray	Second Wednesday
64	Composite	Alexander	R. Green	L. W. Skinner	Third Thursday
A— 67	Wawanesa	Wawanesa	E. A. Sundell	C. L. Atkinson	Third Monday
68	Vermillion	Dauphin	L. Kennedy	E. Johansen	First Tuesday

"A"—American or York Rite

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70	Shiloh	Roland	G. F. Thompson	V. H. Hugo	Second Thursday
71	Crystal	Crystal City	N. W. Gorrell	R. S. McGill	Second Tuesday
74	Elkhorn	Elkhorn	Jacob Bajus	C. G. Webster	Second Monday
75	Gothic	Austin	Geo. Bull	G. R. Hay	Second Wednesday
77	Napinka	Napinka	W. L. Bodkin	A. S. Baskier	First Thursday
A— 82	Cypress	Cypress River	L. Campbell	R. I. Connon	Fourth Monday
84	Hamiota	Hamiota	A. Pateman	A. Cummings	Fourth Tuesday
86	Elgin	Elgin	J. H. Reid	E. J. Smillie	Second Tuesday
87	Rathwell	Rathwell	A. H. MacDonald	E. B. Litz	First Tuesday
90	Midlothian	Miami	A. Stuart	J. E. Crozier	Third Monday
A— 92	Shoal Lake	Shoal Lake	C. W. Snyder	J. R. Stalker	Second Thursday
93	King Edward	Winnipeg	B. Davies	S. A. Restall	Third Wednesday
94	Hiram	Grandview	R. B. Elliott	D. N. McIntyre	Third Thursday
100	Robbie Burns	Gilbert Plains	J. W. Hart	W. A. Knott	Second Wednesday
101	Binscarth	Binscarth	B. B. Horning	M. E. Clegg	Third Monday
102	Miniota	Miniota	A. G. Douglas	W. H. Yarwood	Fourth Thursday
103	Crescent	Elm Creek	W. B. McKay	J. R. Ivey	First Wednesday
104	Reston	Reston	W. J. Abbey	John Cuthill	Second Thursday
105	Prince Arthur	Swan River	W. A. McKay	P. E. Zinger	First Thursday
106	Strathclair	Strathclair	W. E. McLean	H. W. Clark	Third Tuesday
107	Lansdowne	Griswold	J. D. Moar	M. R. Sutherland	Fourth Wednesday
108	Union	Brookdale	F. B. K. Alexander	J A. Mills	First Thursday
A—109	Swan Lake	Swan Lake	H. R. Horn	G. O. Couch	Third Wednesday
110	Kilwinning	Minto	S. Noble	T. Nesbitt	Second Monday
A—111	Acacia	Winnipeg	D. Berry	Wm. Dewar	Second Wednesday
112	Ophir	Beausejour	Thos. Law	L. J. Pulfer	First Friday
113	Tweed	Brandon	H. J. Barber	Dr. H. S. Perdue	Third Tuesday
114	"The Assiniboine"	Winnipeg	J. W. Bringhurst	O. E. MacQuoid	First Tuesday
115	Rivers	Rivers	E. C. Smith	R. G. Sinclair	Last Monday
116	St. Andrew's	Wellwood	J. J. Wells	G. W. Wells	Monday on or after full moon
117	Strathcona	Belmont	R. E. Gullett	R. D. Saunders	Fourth Tuesday
118	Mound	Pilot Mound	F. W. Perfect	R. E. Hicks	Fourth Thursday
119	Norwood	Norwood	Geo. Clark	W. M. Summers	Second Thursday
120	Penza	Dominion City	B. H. Witherspoon	A. G. Froom	Fourth Tuesday
121	St. James	St. James	R. J. Cordy	E. S. Reeves	Second Wednesday
122	Roblin	Roblin	W. D. Young	J. M. Thom	Second Monday

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123	Transcona	Transcona	J. F. Kruger	F. G. Turner	First Friday
124	The Pas	The Pas	F. A. Woodward	Wm. Howie	First Thursday
125	Patricia	Sperling	M. G. Gehring	J. J. Tjaden	First Wednesday
126	Favel	Minitonas	A. D. Hooper	Geo. Reid	First Tuesday
127	Empire	Winnipeg	M. S. Martin	Jas. Wardrope	Second Monday
128	Victory	Benito	S. T. Holtby	H. S. Tax	Third Wednesday
130	Fort Garry	Winnipeg	H. H. Hawker	W. D. G. Runions	Second Wednesday
131	Kildonan	Winnipeg	G. R. Tatlock	A. H. Brotheridge	Second Tuesday
132	Sprague	Sprague	J. W. Emes	D. L. Thomson	Second Wednesday
133	McCreary	McCreary	S. R. Harris	T. E. Squire	Second Wednesday
134	Stony Mountain	Stony Mountain	W. H. N. Adair	Thos. Hartley	First Wednesday
136	Capitol	Winnipeg	G. B. Niven	H. A. Pascoe	First Friday
137	Lord Selkirk	Winnipeg	D. O. Paterson	G. R. Mackay	Second Wednesday
138	Windsor	St. Vital	J. H. Wood	J. B. McClure	Second Monday
139	Beaver	Winnipeg	G. M. Lardner	F. H. Herbert	Second Thursday
140	Meridian	Winnipeg	Jas. McKendry	A. C. Cabel	Third Thursday
141	Tuscan	Winnipeg	E. L. Barr	H. E. Harris	Second Friday, A.M.
142	Harmony	Cardale	L. W. McTavish	H. Dennison	Third Thursday
143	Mt. Sinai	Winnipeg	E. M. Finkleman	J. M. Knelman	Fourth Thursday
A—144	Fort Osborne	Winnipeg	A. Laidlaw	T. J. Booth	First Tuesday
145	Sturgeon Creek	Sturgeon Creek	E. Chivers	L. D. Bester	Second Monday
146	Fidelity	Winnipeg	A. H. W. Cook	Wm. Wilson	First Friday
147	Jubilee	Bowsman	Carl Cook	H. J. Jenkins	Second Thursday
148	Seven Oaks	Winnipeg	J. S. Smith	A. C. Pritchard	Second Friday
150	Cartwright	Cartwright	E. R. Newton	C. I. Day	Third Tuesday
151	The Dormer	Winnipeg	E. C. Sanson	R. W. Ross	First Tuesday
152	Foxwarren	Foxwarren	G. A. McCrindle	V. G. Hillcox	First Wednesday
153	Flin Flon	Flin Flon	D. Forshaw	W. A. Young	First Tuesday
154	Pine Falls	Pine Falls	H. E. Spence	B. H. Campbell	Second Friday
155	Carman	Carman	K. W. F. Gray	J. A. Leslie	Third Tuesday
156	Manitouwapa	Moosehorn	A. V Olsen	F. O'Connell	Third Tuesday
157	Rice Lake	Bissett	G. H. Lucas	R. J. Minton	First Friday
158	Fenwick	Brandon	R. A. Carruthers	Hugh. M. Kerr	Fourth Friday
159	Newdale	Newdale	J. M. Lavery	W. P. Everitt	First Thursday
160	Starbuck	Starbuck	Myrton Mills	W. L. Baldwin	Fourth Thursday
161	Fort Prince of Wales	Churchill	C. A. McCallum	G. H. Warey	First Wednesday
162	Ashlar	Norwood	J. V. Dillabough	K. G. Hillier	First Tuesday
163	Charleswood	Charleswood	W. H. Batchelor	A. G. Lawrence	Fourth Monday

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1	Prince Rupert's	12	6	10	5	3	0	0	0	10	402	...	412
2	Lisgar	15	16	16	4	0	3	8	0	7	172	...	173
3	Ancient Landmark	18	17	9	5	0	2	0	0	8	365	...	378
4	St. John's	27	25	10	2	0	1	2	0	12	634	...	648
6	Emerson	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	3	73	...	70
7	Assiniboine	14	16	17	0	1	3	0	0	6	286	...	292
8	King Solomon	2	2	2	2	1	1	0	0	3	66	...	67
10	Northern Light	20	21	18	4	0	2	2	0	6	327	...	341
11	Gladstone	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	86	+1	87
12	Stonewall	4	4	5	1	3	3	4	0	0	129	...	130
13	Morden	3	2	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	94	...	95
14	Prince of Wales	3	3	8	1	0	2	3	0	3	123	—2	117
15	Corinthian	6	6	6	1	1	0	1	0	2	64	...	69
19	Brandon	9	10	9	1	0	1	1	0	4	242	...	246
24	Neepawa	7	7	7	5	0	3	1	0	3	166	...	171
25	Ionic	30	30	19	3	0	4	9	0	8	622	...	634
27	Glenwood	5	3	3	0	0	2	0	0	3	167	...	167
29	Carberry	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	75	...	73
30	Manitou	10	9	9	1	0	4	2	0	2	64	...	67
36	Doric	7	8	8	3	0	3	0	0	3	109	...	113
39	Birtle	2	2	2	0	0	2	0	0	3	63	...	60
40	Deloraine	2	4	4	1	2	1	2	0	2	93	...	93
43	Lebanon	2	2	2	0	2	4	2	0	3	105	...	100
44	Oak Lake	3	2	4	1	1	2	0	0	1	38	...	40
48	Glenboro	3	2	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	64	—1	66
49	Temple	6	5	5	0	2	1	4	0	1	82	—1	83

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No.	NAME OF LODGE	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Affiliated	Reinstated	Demitted	Suspended N.P.D.	Suspended U.M.C.	Died	Membership Dec. 31, 1949	Adjustments	Membership Dec. 31, 1950
50	Killarney	4	4	2	0	0	3	3	0	2	78	...	74
51	Treherne	6	5	9	0	0	3	0	0	2	66	...	67
52	Hartney	4	4	4	0	0	4	5	0	2	110	...	103
54	Oriental	1	2	3	1	0	1	0	0	0	73	...	74
55	East Star	3	2	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	47	...	49
62	Russell	7	7	8	6	1	3	0	0	2	63	...	72
63	Holland	3	4	4	0	0	2	0	0	1	70	...	70
64	Composite	4	5	4	1	0	2	0	0	0	59	...	62
67	Wawanesa	3	4	4	1	0	0	0	0	1	68	...	71
68	Vermillion	3	1	1	3	2	2	0	0	2	188	—1	191
70	Shiloh	1	1	2	0	0	0	2	0	6	83	...	76
71	Crystal	6	6	9	2	0	0	2	0	0	74	...	80
74	Elkhorn	2	2	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	50	...	51
75	Gothic	3	3	3	0	0	1	0	0	2	64	...	64
77	Napinka	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	69	...	66
82	Cypress	5	5	5	1	2	2	3	0	0	44	...	47
84	Hamiota	3	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	68	...	70
86	Elgin	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	1	74	...	69
87	Rathwell	1	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	23	...	23
90	Midlothian	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	1	80	...	77
92	Shoal Lake	5	4	4	0	0	1	0	0	5	80	...	79
93	King Edward	18	18	18	0	0	2	2	0	11	307	—1	309
94	Hiram	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	93	...	93
100	Robbie Burns	0	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	37	...	35
101	Binscarth	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	40	...	37
102	Miniota	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	57	...	57
103	Crescent	2	2	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	71	...	72

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104	Reston	12	12	18	3	2	1	1	0	5	171	...	181
105	Prince Arthur	3	2	2	2	0	5	2	0	3	108	...	103
106	Strathclair	2	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	54	...	55
107	Lansdowne	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	47	...	52
108	Union	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	53	...	53
109	Swan Lake	9	8	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	37	...	46
110	Kilwinning	2	2	2	0	1	1	0	0	1	52	...	53
111	Acacia	22	25	16	0	2	1	3	0	3	276	...	293
112	Ophir	6	6	3	0	0	1	0	0	1	82	...	86
113	Tweed	12	9	9	0	0	6	0	0	7	268	...	267
114	"The Assiniboine".	7	9	5	3	1	5	0	0	8	358	...	356
115	Rivers	11	16	18	1	0	2	0	0	0	83	...	93
116	St. Andrew's	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40	...	40
117	Strathcona	6	7	7	0	2	3	4	0	0	60	...	61
118	Mound	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	83	...	83
119	Norwood	17	16	16	3	0	7	3	0	1	283	...	292
120	Penza	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	43	...	44
121	St. James	18	18	9	5	0	3	0	0	7	248	...	261
122	Roblin	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	69	...	68
123	Transcona	6	2	2	1	0	1	0	0	3	171	...	174
124	The Pas	16	14	13	0	0	1	2	0	1	123	+1	136
125	Patricia	2	2	3	0	2	1	0	0	1	49	...	51
126	Favel	2	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	56	...	58
127	Empire	10	10	10	2	0	1	1	0	3	188	...	195
128	Victory	4	4	3	2	0	1	0	0	1	50	...	54

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130	Fort Garry	24	23	14	1	3	2	2	0	4	271	...	291
131	Kildonan	9	8	8	2	0	6	0	0	2	131	...	134
132	Sprague	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	33	...	33
133	McCreary	2	2	2	0	0	0	1	0	2	58	-1	56
134	Stony Mountain	3	3	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	73	...	74
136	Capitol	13	21	21	4	1	1	3	0	6	272	...	280
137	Lord Selkirk	8	8	6	3	0	1	0	0	3	121	...	128
138	Windsor	9	6	6	7	1	3	3	0	3	189	...	197
139	Beaver	11	15	22	3	0	8	6	0	2	293	...	291
140	Meridan	23	23	23	5	0	3	3	0	5	349	...	366
141	Tuscan	10	10	9	0	0	4	0	0	1	99	...	104
142	Harmony	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	2	39	...	37
143	Mt. Sinai	11	26	14	6	0	1	0	0	2	300	...	314
144	Fort Osborne	20	19	20	1	0	1	1	0	0	189	...	208
145	Sturgeon Creek	7	8	8	5	1	5	2	0	4	145	...	147
146	Fidelity	23	17	17	9	1	3	4	0	5	227	...	248
147	Jubilee	6	5	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	60	...	67
148	Seven Oaks	7	6	6	4	0	1	0	0	1	112	...	121
150	Cartwright	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	38	...	36
151	The Dormer	8	8	7	1	0	2	2	0	3	101	...	103
152	Foxwarren	3	3	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	36	...	37
153	Flin Flon	15	13	13	1	2	0	1	0	2	136	...	151
154	Pine Falls	9	8	10	0	0	0	1	0	0	66	...	74
155	Carman	3	6	7	0	0	2	0	0	1	83	...	83
156	Manitouwapa	2	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	72	...	73

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157	Rice Lake	7	7	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	41	...	48
158	Fenwick	16	17	12	3	0	5	0	0	3	92	...	103
159	Newdale	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	25	...	26
U.D.	Starbuck	15	14	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	17	...	34
U.D.	Fort Prince of Wales	6	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	30	...	39
U.D.	Ashlar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	...	24
U.D.	Charleswood	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	...	27

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No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.'s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
1	Prince Rupert's	8	6	14	129	283	75	15	132.00	1417.46	1,221.60	778.50	19,447.97	2,300.00	Active	1	Rent
3	Ancient Landmark	8	7	15	85	293	75	13	290.00	269.00	549.75	290.00	33,867.84	2,900.00	Active	1	Rent
4	St. John's	9	10	19	162	486	---	53	1125.00	360.00	764.97	1,282.36	37,840.89	-------	Active	1	Rent
10	Northern Light	8	5	13	87	254	70	18	210.00	584.50	2,571.55	175.00	13,773.53	1,500.00	Active	1	Rent
25	Ionic	9	9	18	163	471	120	67	1190.00	283.75	3,152.61	1,744.18	58,390.12	2,500.00	Active	1	Rent
93	King Edward	8	7	15	74	235	90	34	385.00	416.03	798.37	373.25	9,235.37	1,600.00	Active	1	Rent
111	Acacia	8	11	19	49	244	80	26	272.00	450.00	2,625.80	1,281.35	15,109.11	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
114	"The Assiniboine"	9	4	13	77	279	56	7	56.00	117.00	1,881.24	------	17,826.24	1,500.00	Active	1	Rent
119	Norwood	8	12	20	41	253	68	19	216.00	429.15	431.19	387.00	12,863.84	8,300.00	Active	1	Own
121	St. James	8	8	16	38	223	50	33	303.00	308.75	1,030.63	150.00	13,527.48	1,500.00	Active	1	Rent
127	Empire	9	10	19	21	163	55	11	106.00	314.03	1,330.04	800.20	10,345.37	6,000.00	Active	1	Own
U.D.	Ashlar	4	--	4	--	24	18	7	35.00	-----	590.51	-----	590.51	-----	Active	1	Rent Free

*Includes the Liability for Life Memberships

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE SECOND MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1950.

No. of Lodge	NAME	Reg.	Emer.	Total	Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.'s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
7	Assiniboine	10	13	23	97	178	65	32	270.00	188.94	2,497.65	94.63	15,532.12	25,000.00	Active	1	Own
11	Gladstone	12	4	16	26	61	24	11	98.00	24.45	49.82	----	3,999.82	3,000.00	Active	1	Own
24	Neepawa	10	5	15	56	115	42	9	75.40	232.69	710.74	438.30	4,072.44	3,000.00	Active	1	Own
29	Carberry	11	2	13	35	38	20	13	132.00	43.14	411.79	----	4,041.79	3,000.00	Active	1	Own
49	Temple	12	4	16	28	56	25	40	280.00	----	262.04	----	5,362.04	3,500.00	Active	1	Own
75	Gothic	10	2	12	34	30	18	5	54.00	20.00	119.39	100.00	2,169.39	1,500.00	Active	1	Own
108	Union	11	1	12	22	31	22	12	72.00	----	496.60	----	2,432.35	3,000.00	Active	1	Own
116	St. Andrew's	11	3	14	23	17	15	4	42.00	36.00	359.84	800.00	3,859.84	5,000.00	Active	1	Own
133	McCreary	12	1	13	16	40	18	14	210.00	150.00	20.73	443.75	4,186.98	4,400.00	Active	1	Own

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE THIRD MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1950.

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.'s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
48	Glenboro	12	--	12	28	38	26	8	56.00	102.37	538.85	52.50	888.85	350.00	Active	1	Rent
51	Treherne	11	2	13	20	47	29	1	12.00	20.00	424.87	-----	8,124.87	5,000.00	Active	1	Own
63	Holland	10	4	14	30	40	25	11	80.00	-----	436.36	-----	1,336.36	400.00	Active	1	Rent
67	Wawanesa	12	--	12	18	52	30	5	145.00	82.20	124.40	-----	974.40	250.00	Active	1	Rent
82	Cypress	11	4	15	20	24	18	3	21.00	40.00	387.00	-----	887.00	600.00	Active	1	Rent
87	Rathwell	10	--	10	7	16	12	4	26.00	-----	276.75	-----	569.80	300.00	Active	1	Rent
103	Crescent	10	--	10	26	46	31	5	40.00	100.45	355.00	-----	2,317.85	800.00	Active	1	Rent
109	Swan Lake	9	4	13	7	39	15	5	78.00	-----	167.75	-----	2,867.75	2,000.00	Active	1	Own
117	Strathcona	12	1	13	21	40	25	8	58.75	-----	1003.98	-----	3,203.98	500.00	Active	1	Rent
U.D.	Starbuck	5	4	9	1	33	14	--	-----	-----	1,046.62	-----	1,446.62	400.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE FOURTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1950.

13	Morden	10	2	12	49	45	26	13	82.00	70.00	1,574.11	-----	2,519.11	500.00	Active	1	Rent
30	Manitou	10	6	16	28	39	19	--	-----	-----	1,280.00	-----	3,180.00	450.00	Active	1	Rent
36	Doric	11	2	13	25	88	30	10	66.00	100.00	1,261.54	1,971.50	3,390.04	8.000.00	Active	1	Own
50	Killarney	12	1	13	21	53	17	8	56.00	74.50	457.39	-----	2,707.39	250.00	Active	1	Rent
71	Crystal	12	1	13	21	59	35	8	47.00	78.06	744.02	-----	1,194.02	200.00	Active	1	Rent
118	Mound	10		10	21	62	16	12	119.00	43.49	790.22	-----	4,740.22	100.00	Active	1	Rent
150	Cartwright	9		9	11	25	13	6	30.00	13.00	835.31	55.00	1,080.31	200.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE FIFTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1950.

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.'s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
14	Prince of Wales	10	4	14	38	79	30	9	96.00	225.00	202.67	-----	7,298.67	5,500.00	Active	1	Own
15	Corinthian	12	4	16	6	63	31	6	34.00	17.00	229.24	69.25	3,599.24	2,000.00	Active	1	Own
39	Birtle	11	2	13	18	42	24	7	33.00	103.52	20.63	62.45	5,174.41	5,000.00	Active	1	Own
62	Russell	10	2	12	24	48	25	11	40.00	19.50	39.07	1,700.00	6,739.07	4,500.00	Active	1	Own
84	Hamiota	11	1	12	7	63	32	2	15.00	176.03	566.74	-----	766.74	200.00	Active	1	Rent
92	Shoal Lake	11	2	13	45	34	15	15	144.00	-----	184.01	-----	2,278.01	2,500.00	Active	1	Own
101	Binscarth	10	1	11	11	26	11	32	512.00	100.00	19.64	-----	719.64	700.00	Active	1	Rent
102	Miniota	9	1	10	30	27	13	8	55.00	10.00	282.98	-----	4,811.67	3,625.00	Active	1	Own
106	Strathclair	12	1	13	18	37	18	3	13.50	90.00	158.58	50.80	2,805.68	2,000.00	Active	1	Own
115	Rivers	9	8	17	33	60	31	13	116.50	14.00	2,381.07	-----	5,881.07	3,000.00	Active	1	Own
142	Harmony	11	1	12	10	26	17	1	10.00	10.62	273.41	-----	773.41	500.00	Active	1	Rent
152	Foxwarren	12	2	14	17	20	14	6	43.00	4.35	185.80	-----	1,595.80	1,500.00	Active	1	Own
159	Newdale	12	1	13	5	21	14	0	----	56.25	236.08	-----	626.08	500.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE SIXTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1950.

27	Glenwood	10	3	13	81	86	35	20	190.00	76.80	1,339.79	------	14,039.00	12,500.00	Active	1	Own
40	Deloraine	12	1	13	24	69	28	18	217.00	----	330.62	2,781.50	20,632.75	11,000.00	Active	1	Own
52	Hartney	9	4	13	46	56	33	10	70.00	70.00	162.29	------	10,000.00	800.00	Active	1	Rent
54	Oriental	12	--	12	21	53	26	7	56.00	80.00	745.79	138.25	2,966.79	600.00	Active	1	Rent
77	Napinka	11	--	11	29	37	15	8	40.00	20.00	388.04	------	1,088.04	150.00	Active	1	Rent
86	Elgin	9	1	10	15	54	15	9	63.00	15.00	569.88	------	969.88	------	Active	1	Rent
104	Reston	12	7	19	29	153	45	22	200.00	505.41	417.35	73.60	14,793.35	11,500.00	Active	1	Own
110	Kilwinning	12	--	12	23	30	18	7	84.00	60.62	81.49	300.00	2,374.16	2,600.00	Active	1	Own

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE SEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1950.

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.'s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
19	Brandon	10	11	21	61	184	--	35	322.00	161.46	1,309.59	------	9,818.40	------	Active	1	Rent
43	Lebanon	10	2	12	56	43	25	10	93.00	105.83	341.72	60.00	2,881.72	450.00	Active	1	Rent
44	Oak Lake	10	4	14	19	21	12	2	22.00	137.98	67.34	------	2,817.34	1,900.00	Active	1	Own
64	Composite	10	1	11	20	42	25	5	42.00	35.00	379.29	17.00	2,532.29	1,400.00	Active	1	Own
74	Elkhorn	10	--	10	25	25	16	19	172.50	50.00	360.49	2,163.50	1,369.49	4,000.00	Active	1	Own
107	Lansdowne	10	1	11	22	30	10	3	54.00	60.00	266.00	------	3,166.00	2,000.00	Active	1	Own
113	Tweed	10	13	23	88	179	35	59	450.75	293.38	1,796.35	598.65	19,883.20	------	Active	1	Rent
158	Fenwick	10	14	24	11	92	21	3	16.00	82.49	1,431.83	349.00	1,244.00	------	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE EIGHTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1950.

6	Emerson	11	1	12	31	39	19	12	205.00	86.70	895.28	------	16,442.54	8,700.00	Active	1	Own
8	King Solomon	6	2	8	30	37	25	13	112.00	-----	245.23	------	595.23	2,000.00	Active		Own
55	East Star	10	--	10	33	16	20	11	123.00	-----	239.87	59.55	2,239.87	2,000.00	Active	1	Own
70	Shiloh	10	4	14	27	49	30	12	66.00	8.25	1,672.55	88.60	5,946.55	250.00	Active	1	Rent
90	Midlothian	9	--	9	29	48	17	11	98.00	385.15	562.24	151.60	1,849.33	200.00	Active	1	Rent
120	Penza	10	1	11	13	31	13	2	10.00	25.00	663.52	------	2,663.52	1,500.00	Active	1	Own
125	Patricia	9	1	10	20	31	25	--	-----	86.70	447.06	133.87	1,197.06	300.00	Active	1	Rent
132	Sprague	8	--	8	16	17	10	9	98.00	-----	397.73	------	997.73	------	Active	1	Rent
155	Carman	10	1	11	17	66	31	4	30.00	33.95	748.49	59.25	1,677.49	500.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE NINTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1950.

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.'s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
68	Vermillion	11	--	11	58	133	34	45	560.85	279.65	823.25	4,750.00	10,073.25	10,000.00	Active	1	Own
94	Hiram	12	1	13	34	59	25	4	32.00	385.00	266.84	284.40	2,872.44	2,500.00	Active	1	Own
100	Robbie Burns	9	1	10	15	20	11	5	36.00	34.00	16.44	------	16.44	200.00	Active	1	Rent
105	Prince Arthur	12	5	17	34	70	23	18	180.00	596.15	552.76	111.15	441.61	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
122	Roblin	12	4	16	16	52	20	8	75.00	25.00	57.17	------	3,727.73	1,800.00	Active	1	Own
126	Favel	10	1	11	20	38	21	26	200.00	25.10	569.67	------	1,069.67	500.00	Active	1	Rent
128	Victory	10	3	13	18	36	18	5	26.00	------	637.98	------	1,337.98	300.00	Active	1	Rent
147	Jubilee	11	3	14	28	39	18	15	170.00	216.20	140.31	------	590.31	300.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE TENTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1950.

No. of Lodge	NAME	Reg.	Emer.	Total	Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.'s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
2	Lisgar	10	12	22	24	149	40	39	578.00	540.55	876.40	------	4,876.40	14,000.00	Active	1	Own
12	Stonewall	12	--	12	30	100	40	6	48.00	123.50	347.85	------	4,447.85	3,500.00	Active	2	Own
112	Ophir	10	1	11	13	73	25	--	------	------	726.91	------	6,274.00	8,000.00	Active	1	Own
123	Transcona	9	5	14	30	144	33	18	205.25	152.90	2,373.51	------	5,215.24	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
131	Kildonan	8	8	16	27	107	34	19	228.00	202.73	270.86	118.50	6,629.49	500.00	Active	2	Rent
134	Stony Mountain	11	4	15	33	41	18	6	43.00	------	331.01	------	2,231.01	2,400.00	Active	1	Own
148	Seven Oaks	8	4	12	18	103	47	14	127.00	260.90	1,092.93	140.00	8,043.93	1,500.00	Active	3	Rent
151	The Dormer	9	6	15	5	98	38	4	48.00	174.00	1,206.92	166.00	5,205.22	500.00	Active	2	Rent
154	Pine Falls	10	7	17	25	49	17	10	31.00	122.00	769.91	157.92	3,627.35	400.00	Active	1	Rent
156	Manitouwapa	8	2	10	20	53	27	6	52.50	95.50	676.17	81.75	2,077.17	500.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE TWELFTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1950.

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Officia Visits by D.D. G.M.'s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
130	Fort Garry	8	6	14	53	238	70	38	340.00	353.05	205.00	379.79	6,585.09	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
136	Capitol	9	5	14	41	239	98	28	310.50	286.00	1,000.72	------	4,700.72	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
137	Lord Selkirk	8	2	10	22	106	45	12	224.00	397.71	472.31	------	3,992.31	250.00	Active	1	Rent
138	Windsor	9	5	14	27	170	56	21	204.00	200.00	2,047.47	1,126.01	25,770.86	23,500.00	Active	1	Own
139	Beaver	8	10	18	59	232	48	--	479.00	100.00	1,620.84	------	6,630.84	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
140	Meridian	8	8	16	59	307	94	35	325.00	491.34	885.63	696.00	15,187.04	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
141	Tuscan	8	3	11	17	87	32	10	588.00	58.00	1,776.80	209.00	2,855.80	350.00	Active	1	Rent
143	Mt. Sinai	8	4	12	43	271	95	19	223.00	524.00	1,079.95	784.37	11,189.58	500.00	Active	1	Rent
144	Fort Osborne	9	7	16	42	166	55	19	156.00	239.33	253.31	------	5,753.31	500.00	Active	1	Rent
145	Sturgeon Creek	9	6	15	29	118	50	10	142.00	75.06	942.06	------	3,735.27	800.00	Active	1	Rent
146	Fidelity	9	8	17	24	224	54	29	387.00	114.20	2,149.68	647.73	10,341.90	200.00	Active	1	Rent
U.D.	Charleswood	4	2	6	--	27	--	4	40.00	-----	513.02	77.50	1,515.52	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT OF LODGES UNDER SPECIAL SUPERVISION OF THE M.W. THE GRAND MASTER 31st DECEMBER, 1950.

124	The Pas	10	10	20	92	42	18	23	253.00	------	------	130.00	12,165.00	8,400.00	Active	1	Own
153	Flin Flon	10	12	22	53	98	38	26	185.00	15.00	849.66	100.00	11,581.36	9,000.00	Active	1	Own
157	Rice Lake	10	2	12	4	44	32	--	-----	------	973.29	43.00	930.29	500.00	Active	1	Rent
U.D.	Fort Prince of Wales	4	6	10	14	25	18	--	-----	30.00	617.24	-----	5,317.24	-----	Active	1	Own

LIST OF GRAND LODGES WITH THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF THE GRAND SECRETARIES

Grand Lodge	Grand Secretary	Address
Alabama	C. H. Stubinger	Montgomery, P. O. Box 98
Alberta	George Moore	Calgary
Alpina (Switzerland)	Marcel Wiegandt	Geneva, Switzerland
Arizona	Joseph A. E. Ivey	Tuscon, P.O. Box 1488
Arkansas	W. A. Thomas	Little Rock
British Columbia	J. H. N. Morgan	Vancouver, 692 Seymour St.
California	Lloyd E. Wilson	San Francisco, (25 Van Ness Ave.)
Canada (in Ontario)	Ewart G. Dixon	Hamilton, P.O. Drawer 217
Chili	Rene Court	Santiago
Colombia	Enrique de Paramo	Bogota, Apartado 2519
Colorado	H. W. Bundy	Denver, 319 Masonic Temple
Connecticut	Earle K. Haling	Hartford, 3.
Costa Rica	Enrique Chaves Bolanos	San Jose, Apt. "Y"
Cuba	Jose F. Castellanos	Havana Apt. 72
Delaware	Chester R. Jones	Wilmington, 813 Market St.
Denmark, N. G. L.	K. J. Nilsson	Copenhagen, 23 Blegsdamvej.
District of Columbia	Aubrey H. Clayton	Washington, D. C.
Equador	Augusto Jijon T.	Guayaquil
England	Sydney A. White	London
Florida	Geo. W. Huff	Jacksonville (2)
France, G. L.	Marc Rabrosse	8 Rue Puteaux, Paris
France, N. G. L.	C. H. Harrison	65 Boulevardi Beniau, Neuilly-sur-seine, Paris, France
Guatemala	Oscar Paz Pinto G.	Guatamala City
Georgia	Daniel W. Lochlin	Macon, 801 Mulberry St.
Honduras	Constantino S. Ramos	Honduras, C. A.
Idaho	Clyde I. Rush	Boise, P.O. Box 1667
Illinois	R. C. Davenport	Harrisburg, P.O. Box 441
Indiana	Dwight L. Smith	Indianapolis
Iowa	Earl B. Dalzell	Cedar Rapids
Ireland	Henry C. Shellard	Dublin
Kansas	Elmer F. Strain	Topeka
Kentucky	Al. E. Orton	Louisville, 200 Shubert Bldg.
Louisiana	D. Peter Laguens Jr.	New Orleans
Maine	Convers E. Leach	Portland
Manitoba	Harry Coddington	Winnipeg
Maryland	Claud Shaffer	Baltimore
Massachusetts	Frank H. Hilton	Boston, 51 Boylston Ave.
Mexico, York G. L.	Lynn M. Phillips	Mexico City, P. O. 1986
Michigan	F. Homer Newton	Grand Rapids
Minnesota	John H. Anderson	St. Paul
Mississippi	Sid. F. Curtis	Meridian, Box 1030
Missouri	Harold L. Reader	Kansas City
Montana	R. N. Lodge	Helena, Box 1158
Nebraska	Carl R. Greisen	Omaha, 401 Masonic Temple
Netherlands	Dr. A. A. Galestin	Holland—'s Gravenhage The Hague
Nevada	E. C. Peterson	Carson City, 500 Mountain St.
New Brunswick	R. D. Magee	Saint John, P.O. Box 430.
New Hampshire	J. Melvin Dresser	Concord, 44 S. Main St.
New Jersey	Isaac Cherry	Trenton
New Mexico	Chandler C. Thomas	Albuquerque, P.O. Box 535

LIST OF GRAND LODGES WITH THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF THE GRAND SECRETARIES—Continued

Grand Lodge	Grand Secretary	Address
New South Wales	Jas. S. Miller	Sydney
New York	Geo. R. Irving	New York (10)
New Zealand	H. A. Lamb	Wellington, Woodward St.
North Carolina	W. L. McIver	Raleigh; P.O. Box 3068
North Dakota	Harold S. Pond	Fargo
Norway	Odd Lie-Davidsen	N. Voldgate 19, Oslo
Nova Scotia	R. V. Harris	Halifax
Ohio	Harry S. Johanson	Cincinnati; 2-317 E. 5th St.
Oklahoma	Claude A. Sturgeon	Guthrie
Oregon	Harry D. Proudfoot	Portland; 1119 S. W. Park
Panama	Julio Icaza	Panama, Apt. 84
Paraiba	Orlando-Rego Luna	Paraiba, Brazil, P.O. Box 3
Pennsylvania	Fred S. Hammann	Philadelphia 7
Philippine Islands	Antonio Gonzalez	Manila, P. O. Box 990
Puerto Rico	Jose J. Vicens	San Juan, P.O. Box 747
Prince Edward Island	L. A. McDougall	Charlottetown; P.O. Box 112
Quebec	R. W. Louthood	Montreal; 1559 St. Marks St.
Queensland	E. G. Radford	Brisbane; Box 675 K ;G.P.O.
Rhode Island	N. Arthur Hyland	Providence
Rio de Janeiro	Jacy Garnier de Bacellar	Rio de Janeiro Box 2215
Santa Domingo	Jose Marie Perez Andujar	Santa Domingo
Saskatchewan	Robert A. Tate	Regina
Sao Paulo	Henrique Smith	Sao Paulo, Brazil, P.O. Box 8348
Scotland	Alex F. Buchan	Edinburgh, 96 George St.
South Australia	F. J. Ellen	Adelaide; North Terrace
South Carolina	H. F. Collins	Columbia
South Dakota	E. F. Strain	Sioux Falls, P.O. Box 468
Tasmania	H. A. Wilkenson	Hobart; 117 Macquarie St.
Tennessee	Thomas E. Doss	Nashville, P.O. Box 216
Texas	Leo Hart	Waco; P.O. Box 446
Uruguay	Luis Mario Limido	Montevideo; Calle DuVimioso Terr. 1481
Utah	E. R. Gibson	Salt Lake City
Vermont	Aaron H. Grout	Burlington
Victoria	William Stewart	Melbourne, 25 Collins St
Virginia	Jas. N. Hillman	Richmond
Washington	John I. Preisener	Tacoma3; Masonic Temple
West Virginia	Frank F. Flaig	Charleston, 28-P.O. Box 2346
Western Australia	N. J. Munroe	Perth, Box d-117, G.P.O.
Wisconsin	P. W. Grossenbach, Jr.	Milwaukee 705 E. Wells St.
Wyoming	Irving E. Clark	Casper

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA NEAR OTHER GRAND LODGES

Grand Lodge	Representative	Address	Date
Alabama	Chas. H. Stubinger	Birmingham	Mar. 10, 1937
Alberta	Samuel Harris	High Prairie	Jan. 2, 1941
Alpina (Switzerland)	Wm. Planta	Berne	Sept. 2, 1941
Arizona	Rev. Robt. S. Calder	Phoenix	Jan. 31, 1940
Arkansas	John H. Pinson	El-Dorado	Mar. 27, 1925
British Columbia	Donald Adams	Revelstoke	Oct. 13, 1930
Canada (in Ontario)	Chas. S. Hamilton	Toronto	Mar. 22, 1944
Chili	Artouro de la Cruz	Santiago	Oct. 14, 1929
Colombia	Alfred G. Williams	Bogota	Nov. 24, 1942
Colorado	Ira C. Foster	Montrose	Feb. 24, 1940
Connecticut	Willard A. Hunt	Forrestville	April 22, 1939
Costa Rica	Eric C. Murray	San Jose	Aug. 1, 1921
Cuba, Island of	Tomas E. Sierra	Havana	June 6, 1923
Delaware	Louis S. Cain	Wilmington	Jan. 29, 1927
Denmark	A. T. K. Troedsson	Copenhagen	Sept. 4, 1946
District of Columbia	Convass B. Dean	Arlington, Va.	Aug. 8, 1949
Ecuador	Octavio Moran	Guayaquil	July 21, 1932
England	The Rt. Hon. Viscount de Vesci	Monk Hopton, Bridgnorth	Nov. 25, 1939
Florida	Frank H. Brown	Miami	April 2, 1940
France, G. L.			
France, N.G.L.	J. C. D. Scarlett	Paris	April 26, 1936
Guatemala	Irving Stahl	Guatemala	Oct. 31, 1945
Georgia	Carl Smith, Jr.	Covington	Apr. 19th, 1951
Honduras	Jesus M. Lopez	Honduras	Dec. 1, 1931
Idaho	Neil R. Fitch	Payette	Dec. 9, 1941
Illinois	G. Haven Stephens	Danville	Aug. 30, 1924
Indiana	Harry J. Beers	New Albany	Feb. 5, 1945
Ireland	David Ferris	Newry	Nov. 1, 1921
Kansas	Homer C. Anderson	Topeka	Mar. 8th, 1951
Kentucky	John L. Vest	Walton	Aug. 15, 1927
Louisiana	J. A. Thompson	Minden	Dec. 19th, 1950
Maine	Porter A. Roberts	Portland	July 20, 1937
Maryland	Chas. Reichbardt	Baltimore	Feb. 5, 1944
Massachusetts	Roger A. Vint	Malden	Nov. 28th, 1950
Mexico, York G. L.	R. E. Valentine	Monterey	Sep. 1st. 1950
Michigan	Louis Anderson	Omena	June 1, 1932
Minnesota	Clyde E. Hegman	St. Paul	June 27, 1949
Mississippi	A. F. Copeland	Leland	April 19, 1932
Missouri	Harris C. Johnston	Boonville	Nov. 16, 1936
Montana	Guy Dowen	Chinook	Nov. 24, 1949
Nebraska	Ernest C. Purdy	Gordon	July 7, 1943
Netherlands	Dr. M. ten Cate	Amsterdam	April 16, 1948
Nevada	Sam. P. Kafoury	Reno	June 2, 1933
New Brunswick	Alfred Page	Woodstock	April 14, 1939
New Hampshire	Donald W. Hopkins	Greenfield	Aug. 27, 1943
New Jersey	James F. Russell	Jersey City	April 1, 1923
New Mexico	John G. Benton	Jal	Dec. 4, 1946
New South Wales	Sidney A. Taplin	Drummoyne	Aug. 5, 1947
New York	W. H. DeChant	New York	Mar. 20th, 1951
New Zealand	Robt. W. Carpenter	Hawk's Bay	Mar. 4, 1948
North Carolina	J. L. Peacock	Tarboro	July 10, 1935
North Dakota	P. B. Griffiths	Grand Forks	Jan. 5, 1939
Norway	Sigurd Halvorsen	Oslo	July 30, 1948
Nova Scotia	Rev. G. R. Thompson	Truro	May 18, 1943

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA NEAR OTHER GRAND LODGES—Continued

Grand Lodge	Representative	Address	Date
Ohio	Forest R. Dwyer	Bradford	July 28, 1943
Oklahoma	J. Gard Duncan	Wapanucka	Dec. 31, 1946
Oregon	Wilmot K. Royal	Portland	Dec. 4, 1933
Panama	Maurice J. Piza Gabriel	Panama	Jan. 21, 1949
Paraiba	Dr. Arlindo Correa	Paraiba, Brazil	July 10, 1939
Philippine Islands	Gonzalo T. Vales	Manila	Feb. 6, 1940
Puerto Rico	Leon G.Reyes	Caguas	May 4, 1945
Prince Edward Island	Donald Baker	Summerside	May 8, 1936
Quebec	W. R. Allen	Montreal	Jan. 14, 1918
Queensland	William K. McLuckie	Brisbane	June 1, 1923
Rhode Island	Howard V. Allan	Warwick	July 29, 1948
Rio de Janeiro	L. Bert Love	Rio de Janeiro	Nov. 11, 1944
Sao Paulo	Mauricio Utchitel	Sao Paulo	July 27, 1951
Saskatchewan	F. C. Hayes	Swift Current	July 23, 1945
Scotland	O Macneill Watson	Glasgow	Aug. 19, 1948
South Australia	E. J. Copping	Adelaide	Aug. 1, 1930
South Carolina	William W. Gregory	Inman	May 15, 1934
South Dakota	Jess H. Thorpe	Watertown	Jan. 15, 1937
Tasmania	R. V. W. Green	Launceston	April 24, 1928
Tennessee	Ira Parker	Nashville	Mar. 1, 1932
Texas	J. W. Pender	Denton	Mar. 1, 1931
Uruguay	Martin M. Narancio	Montevideo	Feb. 8, 1949
Utah	John W. Buck	Park City	Oct. 4, 1945
Vermont	A. Horace Winchester	Brattleboro	Jan. 5, 1944
Victoria	Edgar J. Carter	Melbourne	Sept. 10, 1934
Virginia	Hugh Reid	Arlington, Va.	Nov. 21, 1949
Washington	G. L. Buck	Seattle	Mar. 1st, 1951
West Virginia	Charles B. Ahrens	Wheeling	Aug. 17, 1939
Western Australia	Thos. H. Bath	Perth	Dec. 13, 1946
Wisconsin	Ray H. Watson	Milwaukee	May 1, 1939

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Grand Lodge	Representative	Address	Date
Alabama	B. Warkentin	Beausejour	Mar. 24, 1948
Alberta	Hugh M. Kerr	Brandon	Nov. 25, 1930
Alpina (Switzerland)	W. C. Birt	Winnipeg	Oct. 22, 1930
Arizona	Oliver L. Best	Winnipeg	Mar. 29, 1944
Arkansas	Fred. H. Blythe	Winnipeg	Sept. 5, 1947
British Columbia	J. C. Grant	Winnipeg	Oct. 1, 1945
Canada (in Ontario)	W. D. Lawrence	Winnipeg	Sep. 13, 1940
Chili	N. J. Black	Winnipeg	May 13, 1920
Colombia	A. S. McCann	Winnipeg	1949
Colorado	K. R. Kennedy	Winnipeg	Mar. 5, 1938
Connecticut	M. S. Donovan	Brandon	May 21, 1935
Costa Rica	I. D. Lloyd	Emerson	Feb. 7, 1949
Cuba, Island of	J. Morgan Davies	Winnipeg	May 27, 1940
Delaware	H. A. Adair	Treherne	Jan. 23, 1946
Denmark	S. H. Fahrni	Portage la Prairie	Oct. 17, 1930
District of Columbia	A. C. Cabel	Winnipeg	Aug. 5th, 1949
Ecuador	S. W. Robertson	Winnipeg	Apr. 26, 1946
England	Wm. J. Major	Winnipeg	June 12, 1935
Florida	S. Hart Green	Winnipeg	Apr. 30, 1945
France, N. G. L.	C. A. Midwinter	Winnipeg	Mar. 3, 1937
Franct, G. L.			
Guatemala	Robert Wood	Minnedosa	Jan. 12, 1951
Georgia	W. A. Prugh	Brandon	June 5, 1947
Honduras	A. G. Cowan	Winnipeg	Oct. 17, 1930
Idaho	S. J. Sametz	Winnipeg	Mar. 7, 1949
Illinois	Wm. R. Leslie	Morden	June 21, 1931
Indiana	R. E. Emmett	St. James	Apr. 3, 1944
Ireland	H. Coddington	Winnipeg	Oct. 14th, 1950
Kansas	J. V. Dillabough	Winnipeg	Mar. 5, 1948
Kentucky	J. D. McKinlay	Winnipeg	1951
Louisiana	Chas. E. Cole	Portage la Prairie	Feb. 28, 1938
Maine	W. D. Harper	Winnipeg	Jan. 19, 1937
Maryland	David Ferguson	Moosehorn	Nov. 5, 1945
Massachusetts	P. G. Hawkins	Winnipeg	Jan. 17th, 1951
Mexico, York G. L.	M. A. Nitikman	Winnipeg	May 23, 1940
Michigan	A. J. Sawatzky	Morris	May 23, 1949
Minnesota	Ben. C. Parker	Winnipeg	Jan. 13, 1938
Mississippi	Peter T. Pilkey	Hamiota	Feb. 9, 1945
Missouri	Maris H. Garton	Winnipeg	Jan. 31, 1934
Montana	M. S. Watson	Deloraine	Feb. 26, 1941
Nebraska	N. Rothstein	Winnipeg	Mar. 22nd, 1951
Netherlands	A. L. Crossin	Winnipeg	July 9, 1921
Nevada	J. P. Mowat	Winnipeg	June 30, 1950
New Brunswick	R. A. McKenzie	Roland	May 16, 1949
New Hampshire	W. D. G. Runions	Winnipeg	Nov. 22, 1948
New Jersey	Wm. G. Corbett	Stonewall	May 27, 1940
New Mexico	H. B. Donnelly	St. Vital	July 10, 1937
New South Wales	G. A. McMorran	Souris	1951
New York	G. A. Woodside	Winnipeg	May 14, 1932
New Zealand	Samuel Burland	St. Vital	Mar. 22, 1937
North Carolina	Robt. Peel	Miniota	Sep. 4, 1941
North Dakota	J. F. Dart	McKenzie Island	Jan. 18, 1937
Norway	R. M. Muckle	Clandeboye	Apr. 19th, 1951
Nova Scotia	David S. Woods	Winnipeg	Oct. 13, 1926
Ohio	A. E. Boyle	Winnipeg	June 10, 1924

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES NEAR THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA—Continued

Grand Lodge	Representative	Address	Date
Oklahoma	D. W. Smith	Portage la Prairie	Jan. 16, 1950
Oregon			
Panama	Walter Dalzell	Portage la Prairie	Jan. 10th, 1951
Paraiba	Alex Campbell	Winnipeg	June 15, 1946
Philippine Islands	John Livesey	Swan River	May 22, 1947
Puerto Rico	G. V. Henderson	Strathclair	July 5, 1941
Prince Edward Island	F. B. Lynes	Crystal City	June 3, 1948
Quebec	Harvey T. Waters	Winnipeg	May 17, 1940
Queensland	Geo P. Fairbairn	Winnipeg	Aug. 23, 1948
Rhode Island	J. R. C. Evans	Brandon	Oct. 18, 1945
Rio de Janeiro	W. C. McDonald	Roland	Apr. 12, 1947
Santa Domingo	Wm. G. Shaw	Elgin	May 30, 1932
Saskatchewan	H. H. Gray	Winnipeg	Nov. 10, 1948
Scotland	Wm. Douglas	Winnipeg	Feb. 11, 1936
South Australia	John J. Allen	Winnipeg	Feb. 21, 1950
South Carolina	Chas. R. Sayer	Winnipeg	May 20, 1940
South Dakota	Jas. Wardrope	Winnipeg	Apr. 10, 1945
Tasmania	Thos. Dodsworth	Winnipeg	July 21, 1945
Tennessee	Jas. S. MacEwing	Treherne	Oct. 15, 1913
Texas	H. G. Kilpatrick	Binscarth	Feb. 14, 1941
Uruguay	Ernest A. Baragar	Elm Creek	June 1, 1949
Utah	Donald MacDonald	Ninette	May 24, 1941
Vermont	Frank K. Purdie	Griswold	May 13, 1932
Victoria	Raymond M. Snider	Stonewall	June 20, 1945
Virginia	Clarence Hyde	Portage la Prairie	Nov. 25, 1948
Washington	Geo. R. Mackay	Winnipeg	May 20, 1929
West Virginia	David Griffith	Fort Garry	Nov. 27, 1944
Western Australia	J. B. McClure	St. Vital	Sept. 17, 1948
Wisconsin	Norman M. Hall	Winnipeg	May 7, 1945

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE

HUGH M. KERR
Chairman

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ALBERTA. Grand Master. 1950

During my year in office I have travelled extensively over this Grand Jurisdiction and have visited many lodges. Everywhere I have found keen interest and a genuine and sincere desire on the part of all Brethren to advance the worthwhile philosophies and principles of Freemasonry. It is worthy of note, however, that, although Alberta is passing through a very marked period of prosperity, with rapidly-increasing population in our urban centres and with more communities being established in rural areas, very few lodges have been chartered. Many of our city lodges have increased in membership beyond workable proportions and I feel that more effective work could be accomplished among our Brethren by smaller lodges, where a larger proportion of the Brethren could participate as officers and on degree teams. I earnestly suggest that serious consideration be given, by those experienced Craftsmen in the larger lodges, to forming new lodges and thus increase the efficiency of our Fraternity.

I found a marked desire to maintain the best traditions of our Fraternity but I feel that something should be done by Grand Lodge to give more assistance to the officers of the Constituent lodges and, for that purpose, I set-up the following Committee, under the Chairmanship of M.W. Bro. Sam Harris:

M.W. Bro. M. M. Downey
M.W. Bro. W. J. Botterill
M.W. Bro. Geo. F. Ellis
M.W. Bro. John Martland
R.W. Bro. W. H. Chappell
R.W. Bro. Fred J. Kavanagh
R.W.Bro. W. H. Williams
R.W. Bro. W. Jackson.

I have asked this Committee to give consideration to the question of the establishment of Schools of Instruction for Masters and Wardens and other Officers of Constituent Lodges throughout the Province and I am hopeful, from the recommendations which this Committee will present, that some form of assistance will be made available to those Officers wishing to improve their knowledge of Masonic procedure.

It should be borne in mind that the Master of a lodge fills a very unique and important office. He is required to preside at lodge meetings with tact and ability; to confer degrees with ritualistic precision and, in addition, to provide social intercourse for the Brethren during the periods of refreshment.

Therefore I feel it important that all those holding any office in the lodge should qualify themselves for the work undertaken. I also feel that Grand Lodge should make more information available to those desiring knowledge and should be of greater assistance in this very worthwhile work.

Membership in the Masonic Fraternity is a privilege and an opportunity, not only for self-improvement, but for service to the community in which we live and, during my travels over this jurisdiction, I have noticed that in every community where there is an active Masonic lodge, there is a high standard of community life.

I would urge each District Deputy to survey the communities in his District and, where thought advisable, foster new lodges. There are many unaffiliated Masons residing in districts where no lodge now exists, and who should be actively engaged in the work of their Fraternity.

It also seems to me that lodge secretaries, who do so much work, should be better remunerated than they are at present and I recommend that Lodges give serious consideration to this matter.

In view of chaotic world conditions, we are fortunate, as a Grand Jurisdiction, to meet under such pleasant circumstances, and thankful to a Divine Providence who has cast our lot in so free and happy a land. In the world today many millions of people are denied the right of free assembly and in many nations our beloved Fraternity is persecuted, suppressed and denied even the right to meet as Brothers. It is, therefore, a great privilege, for which we should be deeply thankful, that we gather here in freedom, with the right to decide and act according to the dictates of our own conscience. Liberty is a thing of spirit —to be free to worship, to think, to hold opinions and to speak without fear—free to challenge wrong and oppression with surety of justice in this land. It behooves us to guard this sacred privilege, which we so freely enjoy, and endeavour to extend the same right to other nations now held in subjection.

In this trying period, when the democratic countries are sorely pressed and confronted with the most perplexing problems, the greatest difficulties and, in many respects, the most discouraging outlook that we perhaps have ever faced, we must maintain a strong and steadfast faith in the Great Architect of the Universe and a belief in the reality of those great principles for which our Fraternity has always stood.

Alberta has a bright destiny but, in the midst of the prosperity prevailing on all sides, Freemasons must endeavour to preserve, inviolate, these high spiritual values which make life worthwhile.

The weakness of the people of North America stems from the self-satisfaction of its people, who assume that they are quite as virtuous as any can be, and love their fellow man as much as any one should. We are too complacent, too self-satisfied and too content to bask in the sunshine of prosperity while others of our fellowmen grovel in abject misery. Many of our own Brethren, who have taken the vows and obligations of Freemasonry, do not practise in their daily lives the lessons inculcated in the Masonic teachings. We must strive to make our Masonic faith work, to establish brotherhood, to diffuse a still greater equality, to make this world kindlier for those who feel the peril of it and friendlier for those who feel the loneliness of it.

ARIZONA. Grand Master. 1950

In all of my visits I have been impressed by the dignity with which the meetings have been conducted, and it is my belief that interest in Masonry is increasing. We now have two Lodges working under dispensation, and requests for consideration have come in from Scottsdale, Sunnyslope and Parker.

In making a report such as this, is always pleasant to paint the brighter side of the picture. Some of our Lodges are receiving petitions so fast that have difficulty in conferring the degrees, **and the degree mill works overtime.** Masonry's problem of today is not the scarcity of new members, but rather, the problem of keeping them as interested Masons and not just as disinterested members.

I have stated many times, and I repeat, "In my humble opinion, if Lodges become too large, then the interests of Masonry are not always best served." Each year but one Brother can become Master, and he has but one group of officers to assist him whether it be a Lodge of a thousand members or of only three hundred. The Grand Lodge has not legal or logical way of limiting the size of a subordinate Lodge, but we can and should, for the good of Masonry in general, encourage the formation of new Lodges in areas or rapid growth.

It has been a disappointment to me to find so few members of our Lodges under the age of thirty, and unless those few are ambitiously looking to the East and have hopes that their efforts will eventually obtain for them a reward, they soon drift away.

We cannot depend upon ritualistic work alone to fill our Lodge halls, no matter how perfectly or interestingly the work is performed. A study of the tyler's register will show that most Lodges do well if they have ten per cent of their membership at their regular meetings. And a special event is often needed to give that shot in the arm.

The alert master will endeavor to find ways of attracting the brethren to Lodge. One of those ways is the tried and proven method of appointing as many brethren as possible to take active parts, either in ritualistic work or on special committees, such as Fellowship, to greet the visitors; Entertainment, to arrange special events; Publicity, to inform the absent and aged of Lodge activities; Educational, to urge the brethren to seek knowledge as to the why and wherefore of our venerable institution; and a committee on Youth Activities, to give assistance to those worth-while projects of our boys and girls. There are perhaps many other committees—these are only suggestions—but it is up to the Masters and officers to leave no stone unturned in searching for ways to fill their Lodge halls.

Yes, my Brethren, these are lush times, we have many candidates, but are they getting value received? If we fail to keep them interested, I wonder.

BRITISH COLUMBIA. Grand Master. 1950

In bringing my report to a conclusion I should like to leave with you my own conception of practical Freemasonry which I had the privilege of presenting before the members of the Banff Conference in 1949. In my address on that occasion I said, "Practical Freemasonry is reflected by the faculty of being able to live up to its fundamental teachings, the ability to fit those teachings into our daily lives, and to 'play the game' under all conditions and in all circumstances. If we can do that, and it should not be too difficult, we shall practise those principles which all of us have pledged ourselves to observe."

This, Brethren, is my idea of why so many of the best of our citizens belong to the Craft, and it is my hope that they will never lose sight of the fact that although Freemasonry is often referred to as a speculative science, yet it is also a practical art to be observed every day of our lives.

CANADA (in Ontario). Grand Master. 1950

Since our last meeting here, there has been little change, little improvement in the relations existing among the nations of the world. We view with apprehension and great concern the general condition of mankind throughout the world; many are suffering, many are merely existing. God gave us the beautiful, this lovely, world and man in his greed, avarice, and lust for power is making of it a place of cringing fear and hopeless misery. Nations distrust one another. Men build up walls of hate; and it does seem deplorable that this condition exists when there is room for everyone in this world and when there are so many beautiful things which everyone should be permitted to enjoy. If it were not for the dangers which threaten mankind, our great scientists and inventors could devote their undivided talents solely to the thought of making life easier for everyone. We could then concentrate on building for the betterment of humanity instead of, at the present time, constructing machines for horrifying destruction.

With all our learning, with all our advance in medicine and in the sciences, what a happy, co-operative world this could be if a friendly spirit took full and undisputed possession of it! Nationalism seems to be the one great curse of the world. Human nature and human aspirations are inherent in all peoples, no matter where born or located. No one nation can ever dominate all. Every attempt to do so has been a tragic failure.

Our only hope for a happy world seems to rest upon the ability of nations and peoples to understand one another, for without understanding there can be nothing but strife and tragic aftermaths.

Somehow, there are some individuals who are of the opinion that they can take out of the common wealth for themselves anything they can get, that they have no responsibility to the rest of the world.

There is a new concept coming, however, of man's obligation—the greater the talent, the greater the responsibility. And as we face some of the issues that today are so baffling, we need men dominated by the principle of the supremacy of the common good. There are members in this auditorium today who are concerned about the future of their children and what have we to suggest to them? We all have a duty and an individual responsibility.

I was a pasenger on a big airship a short time ago and the thought passed through my mind—how much we all depend on the judgment of one person! Very often we are not conscious of the lives we influence large or small; and by the same token we can influence those with whom we come in contact from day to day. Regardless of our walk in life, if we live up to the standards and high ideals of Freemasonry, rest assured we shall not then be wrong. Just as the pilot of that plane had a great responsibility, each and every one of us has a responsibility, to set an example, to try to be a foundation stone for the future generation in order that democracy and good citizenship may prevail in a happy world.

One might ask, "What can I, as an individual, do?" The individual, whether he be prominent or obscure, old or young, can exert his influence in conversation and in action on his own companions at work or at play. There are those in this America—yes, in this Canada, of ours, misguided souls who would change our whole form of government and our cherished manner of living. Our present way of life permits freedom of religion, freedom of speech, freedom to work where we desire, freedom to travel where we wish, and yet these traitorous persons, with misdirected zeal, would endeavor to have everyone a servant of the state, their thought being that when these forces take over control, everything and everyone would fit into some particular category at the command of a very few men who would dominate by regimentation. It does seem strange and hard to believe that intelligent people could be influenced to support such a doctrine—if they would only stop to think for a moment they would realize that living would be very difficult and most undesirable under the domination of what would be a dictatorship. When we see and learn what is taking place in some parts of this world I cannot comprehend how anyone who has enjoyed our democratic way of life can become a party to such a system. Life is what we make it and the world is what we make it. The eyes of the cheerful and of the melancholy man are fixed upon the same Creation—a good man will find that there is goodness in the world; an honest man will find that there is honesty in the world, and a man of principle will find principle and integrity in the mind and in the daily conduct of others.

Masonry makes no secret of the fact that it never invites or solicits an application for membership from anyone. Nor does it hold secret the additional fact that only men of good repute, honourable men who have already demonstrated the quality of character that is likely to fit itself to Masonic standards, will be acceptable. Such men do not need reforming. But that type of man will rejoice in the clear interpretation of noble principles Masonry can give him. He will find great happiness in the fellowship of brethren who are like-minded. He will find that in their company and in research with them to discover ways and means of applying the deep wisdom distilled from ages of experience his mental and spiritual stature grows. In it he will meet the unity and brotherhood so generous, long-suffering, kindly, and charitable that all honest sincere men so much desire.

The purpose of Freemasonry is to help good men to maintain those standards and to become even better men. Through fellowship and ever ready assistance it endeavours to help each brother in his own efforts to subdue his passions, to offer him comfort, aid, and strength in times of need, to rejoice with him in his victories. This does not mean compelling him to warp his nature into a pattern arbitrarily set by a formulated code. Nor does it mean the surrender of individual opinion. It demands only that he conform to the spirit of brotherhood and that his conduct be so regulated that no act of his shall bring harm or distress to his brethren.

CANADA (in Ontario). Grand Master. 1950

Circumstances have arisen recently in one of our Lodges which have caused me to extend the scope of the ruling made in 1888 which is still in force. This ruling reads:

"The Worshipful Master has power to refuse to initiate any candidate if he deems it to be to the interest of the Lodge or the Craft to do so. He should not initiate any candidate whom he knows or deems to be unworthy."

After a candidate had been initiated and before he was advanced to the F.C. Degree, the Worshipful Master received information which caused him to make further inquiry regarding the character of the candidate. The additional information was of such a nature as to cause the Master to defer the advancement of the candidate. His authority to do this was questioned by some of his Past Masters and so he referred the matter to me through the Grand Secretary.

After reading the correspondence I directed the Worshipful Master not to advance the candidate until instructed by me to do so, commended him for his stand and asked the Grand Secretary to obtain further information. In the meantime I have confirmed the Worshipful Master's action by ruling that a Master may refuse to advance as well as to initiate a candidate if he deems it to be in the interest of the Lodge or the Craft to do so. He should not advance any candidate whom he knows or deems to be unworthy. Since a Master has the power, as he has under the 1888 ruling, to refuse to initiate, it must naturally follow that he should have the power, under similar circumstances, to refuse to advance a candidate. This seems to be another instance where there has been a lack of proper investigation of the candidate by the Lodge.

CHINA. 1949

As reported in the Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario) 1950 Proceedings the following information is culled.

CHINA—1949

Grand Master—David Wai-Kwok Au.

Lodges, 6.	Membership, 600.

The Grand Lodge of F. and A.M. of China was organized at a preliminary meeting held in the Masonic Temple in Shanghai on January 15th, 1949. Letters of invitation to this meeting had been sent to all Lodges working in the China territory and accredited delegates attended from the six Lodges under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands and from the three working under the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts. There were also Observers from the English, Scottish and Irish Constitutions, each of which has lodges in China.

The first session of a Convention instituting the new body was held just at the conclusion of the above preliminary meeting. A Committee of five representatives was elected for the purpose of drafting a Constitution, Code of By-laws and Ordinances and their work was produced and discussed at the second session on the following morning.

On March 18th, M.W. Esteben Munarriz, Grand Master Mason of the Philippine Islands, presided at the Consecration of the new Grand Lodge, when, with due ceremony, David W. K. Au was installed and invested as the first Grand Master. The founding units or constituent Lodges were the six that had formerly composed the District Grand Lodge for China under the Grand Lodge of the Philippines.

The First Annual Communication was held in Shanghai on October 7th, 1949, and it was reported that funds had been secured wherewith a 30 per cent interest in the Masonic Temple had been arranged, and the new Grand Lodge thus possessed itself of a fixed home. The Scottish Rite bodies in Shanghai are joint owners, having a 70 per cent financial interest in the building. The Grand Master in his Address spoke of the great future which he envisioned for the Craft in his country. "Our mission is to spread the gospel of Freemasonry in this virgin land of the Chinese Republic and among the Chinese people, and at no time is Masonry needed in China more than it is today. To provide the machinery for this work of propagation, it is absolutely necessary that Freemasonry be made accessible in the language of the land." The Committee on Jurisprudence fully endorsed this proposal and to implement the scheme, a Committee on Chinese Studies, three members, was appointed by M.W. Bro. Au.

The Grand Master was born in Sydney, Australia, but in his early youth returned to China with his parents and took his education in Hong Kong and at St. John's University at Shanghai. He has been active in banking and shipping circles; is known as a devout Christian and holds office on several Church and School Boards. He was initiated in Amity Lodge, Shanghai, in 1930, and five years later was Master of Pearl River Lodge in Canton.

The foundation of this new Grand Lodge seems to have been properly laid. The progress of the structure will be watched with much interest by Masons everywhere, especially in view of the terribly disturbed conditions in troubled China.

COLORADO. Grand Master. 1950

And now my Brethren, I ask your indulgence, if as a prophet, I preach of the future rather than as a statistician I set forth facts and figures of the present. The people of the world are living in torment, fear has gripped our minds and hope has almost escaped from our hearts. Hate has become the ruling passion of men and power and dominion over all mankind by force has become the objectives of governments. Those spiritual and moral concepts which lie as the basis of Masonic philosophy and upon which our civilization for five thousand years have given rise to great hope for a better and finer life, are fast fading as the motivating forces for the actions of men. The light of a benign and progressive civilization is indeed dimly flickering in the socket of existence. The brotherhood of man has fallen asunder and the solemn promises and the treaties of nations have become indeed mere pieces of paper.

To bring sanity out of distraction, to acquire peace and harmony from chaos, to render love out of hate, we have only to renew our trust in God and seek the simple and old ideals upon which speculative Masonry has based its existence and seeks its destiny. Of all associations of men, Masonry is best geared for such accomplishments, for Masonry has been defined as "the pursuit of ideals." Its principles and purposes have been hallowed by the years; it directs the contact of its members on the level of Equality, Justice and Right; it defines its purposes as the inculcation of "Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth"; it holds to the doctrine "to see that none go away dissatisfied, harmony being the strength and support of all institutions"; it declares that Love of Country is one of the loftiest virtues implanted in man; it establishes as cardinal virtues, Temperance, Fortitude, Prudence and Justice; it proclaims the duty of each of us to abundantly improve our minds in the general knowledge of things.

My Brothers, these principles and purposes are the loftiest ever conceived by man. They give expression to the broadest charity, the purest morality and the deepest reverence for the fine and nobler things. They are the essence of a true philosophy of life. To the extent to which we pursue them and to that extent only, do we rise to our profession as Masons—that is to be just and upright men. Not by the numbers by which we have extended our roster, nor the dollars by which we have increased our finances, should we measure the progress of our fraternity, but rather by the zeal and endeavor in which we seek after Masonic Light; by the extent we broaden and quicken our sympathy to those less fortunate than ourselves; by the extent we enoble ourselves through charity; by the spirit of friendship and brotherly love we bestow upon one another, and by the extent to which our friendships have made our fraternity a great family of which each Brother is a member and by which there is cemented a closer union and a truer fraternal bond of mutual sympathy and confidence. It needs no spirit of prophecy to foretell that if we pursue these aims, a better, finer and nobler fraternity will result.

The accomplishments of the past year toward these objectives have been the result of sacrifice and untiring effort, of zeal and enthusiasm, of devotion and loyalty on the part of each, and as for myself, the hours of service, of sacrifice, of effort and of labor, which I have spent with you my brothers in the pursuit of our common ideals shall ever remain to me the sweetest and finest and brightest memories than can belong to humankind.

And so, my Brothers, the scale of worth is not weighed by the numbers in which we gather, nor the perfection in which we do our work, nor even by the forms and ceremonies we perform, for forms and ceremonies are nothing, if we do not instil into them the exalted inspiration of that charity, that sympathy, and that holy companionship that makes of Masonry an irrestible uplifting power to highr, nobler and better manhood.

To the pursuit of these ideals, I commend you with the admonition that the joy, the happiness, the satisfaction is in the doing, for ideals, like rainbows, are never reached.

> "If I could write one little word
> Upon the hearts of men,
> I'd dip into the fount of love
> And write with golden pen
> One little word, and only one,
> And feel life's work on earth well done;
> For every heart would speak to me
> That one sweet word 'Fraternity'."

Perhaps never before in this jurisdiction has the prestige of our fraternity been higher or its influences on the lives of our members, and the communities in which they live, more potent than today.

The growth of membership of the last few years has continued unabated. There are approximately 40,500 Masons on our roster, a membership never before reached in this jurisdiction.

During the past year two new lodges have been constituted and both are making good progress in their growth and development.

New Lodge buildings have been erected in Center, Haxtun, Arvada, Brighton, Boulder, Golden, Edgewater, Lakewood, and Pagosa Springs, and more are in contemplation in a number of other communities.

The interest of our members in the fraternity has been as high as ever in our history. This has been made manifest in the size of the audiences which have greeted the Grand Master on his visitations. The reaction, however, to this progress should not alone be one of gratification, but rather to be noted in relationship to a greater responsibility and duty.

CONNECTICUT. Grand Master. 1950

SUGGESTIONS

During the year in traveling about this jurisdiction two separate matters have very forcibly been brought to my attention—first the necessity of a more thorough investigation of candidates who petition for the degrees in Masonry. Just because some well-known brother recommends a candidate does not mean that no personal investigation is required. In the recommendation coming from the Trial Commissoners you will see the necessity of this action.

Next is the avouchment of brothers. Just because you sat in lodge with a brother years ago does not prove he is still in good standing. The Grand Lodge furnishes dues cards for each year and they should be used. When you are asked to vouch for some brother be sure and ask to see his present year's due card. A striking example of the careless manner we have dropped into was brought to my attention this past year. An Acting Worshipful Master on an industrial degree team conferred the Master Mason Degree in one of our local Lodges. It was later found that the very man who had conferred the degree had been suspended in his own Lodge several years previously for non-payment of dues. Better be sure than sorry.

COSTA RICA. 1948

This little booklet covers the years 1945 to 1948 and that the Grand Master is Gonzalo Monge Rojas. There are eight Lodges with 482 active members. A proposal was made to unify all the rituals and ceremonies of all Grand Lodges of South America.

DELAWARE. Grand Master. 1950

This is a changing and challenging day in which we live. It is a day of mass movements amounting almost to revolution. We are participants in a great struggle of ideas. The goal is not merely to control men's bodies, but to enslave their minds as well. We are witnessing onslaughts upon the rights and freedoms of individuals, where we are told that the individuals of little value compared to the society or state in which he lives. This struggle is not only by frontal attacks, but also subtle and in devious ways. In such an hour as this the world needs our fraternity. We need the assurance of brotherhood stressed, within the walls of our lodges. We need to know that our brethren will defend our rights as their own. With such assurance we can go on to protect the rights of all men, but without that assurance we soon feel that we are isolated individuals soon to be overwhelmed by the waves of circumstance.

We need the friendly handclasp and mutual trust which our association inspires. To know that we clasp the hand of a friend keeps us from looking for and shrinking from the dagger in the hand of each associate.

We need respect for the individual for which our order has stood. We need to be reminded that nothing is more valuable than the individual himself. We stand as free men and Masons secure in the strength, respect, and integrity which such knowledge gives us. With this knowledge we can meet the totalitarian and atheistic pressures, confident that while we live, man shall be free.

We need the reminder which Masonry gives up that there is a higher power to whom all, from the youngest entered apprentice in the Northeast corner of the Lodge, to the Worshipful Master in the East, should reverently bow, who governs the affairs of men, and whose presence and leadership should be reflected in our lives.

Thus our Lodges become not just a retreat from the affairs of life, but an inner shrine to which we repair to light again the fires of our lives at their sacred altars. From them we return to our duties, determined to practice the precepts of our institution.

ENGLAND. Board of General Purposes. 1950

ADMISSION OF VISITORS

On several occasions attention has been drawn to the necessity to scrutinise the credentials of visitors to Lodges. Unless the intended visitors are personally known to members of the Lodge as Masons in good standing, the utmost care, including a demand for the production of Masonic documents, must be insisted upon, and no visitor should be permitted to enter the Lodge room about whose identity or standing as a Mason there is the slightest doubt.

WITHDRAWAL OF RECOGNITION FROM THE GRAND LODGE OF URUGUAY

The Grand Registrar (V.W. Bro. J. Neville Gray, D.S.O., K.C.): R.W. Assistant Grand Master and Brethren, it is with regret that I move the motion which is standing in my name, because it must always necessarily be a matter for regret if it becomes necessary to break off relations with anthor Grand Lodge; but this motion is one which the M.W. The Grand Master and the Board of General Purposes have thought necessary in the interests of Masonry.

You all know that our United Grand Lodge has always insisted on the maintenance of certain basic principles, and it has been happy to recognize other Grand Lodges which adhere to those principles, and to work together with them in harmony and friendship; but it has not been willing, and I am sure you will agree that it should not be willing, to continue to afford recognition to Grand Lodges which depart from those principles and will not give them their adherence. One of those principles, as you know, is a belief in the Great Architect of the Universe; and after long and careful enquiries the Board of General Purposes has, with regret, come to the conclusion that it is quite clear that the Grand Lodge of Uruguay no longer requires such a belief.

This began a long time ago: in April, 1947, when there was an Inter-American Masonic Conference held in Montevideo, and at it were represented a number of American Grand Lodges, some of them being Grand Lodges with which this United Grand Lodge of England was in touch, and others which were not recognized by our Grand Lodge. At that Conference there was a resolution passed in general terms, but worded in such a way as to seem to be capable of being interpreted as admitting atheists to Masonry. As a result of that resolution, a letter was sent to a number of Grand Lodges, among them the Grand Lodge of Uruguay, in May, 1948, and in that letter it was pointed out that decisions and recommendations had been made at the Conference which were not in accordance with the principles understood and practised by the Grand Lodge of England, and it was asked in the letter whether it was the intention of the Grand Lodge of Uruguay to proceed in acordance with the declaration which had been made at the Conference. The Grand Lodge of Uruguay sent an evasive answer, asking what were the resolutions which were at variance with the practices generally in use in the Grand Lodge of England.

In November, 1949, a further letter was sent to the Grand Lodge of Uruguay asking specifically whether the Grand Lodge of Uruguay requires the presence in all its subordinate Lodges of the Volume of the Sacred Law. No answer to that letter has been received. It did appear possible for some time that the Grand Lodge of Uruguay might be able to give an answer which would enable their recognition by the Grand Lodge of England to continue, but in March, 1950—this year—information was received which appeared finally to put an end to any such hope. On the 22nd March of this year a further letter was sent on behalf of the Grand Lodge of England to the Grand Lodge of Uruguay referring to their ambiguous answer to the previous letter and to their having sent no reply to the letter of November, 1949. The letter than set out three clauses of our statement entitled, "Aims and Relationships of the Craft," which has been published namely, Nos. 3, 4 and 8, and I think it is right, although you probably all know them very well, that I should read those to you.

No. 3 is this: "The first condition of admission into, and membership of, the Order is a belief in the Supreme Being. This is esential and admits of no compromise." No. 4 is: "The Bible referred to by Freemasons as the Volume of the Sacred Law, is always open in the Lodges. Every candidate is required to take his Obligation on that book or on the Volume which is held by his particular creed to impart sanctity to an oath or promise taken upon it"; and No. 8 is in these very refinite terms: "The Grand Lodge is aware that there do exist Bodies, styling themselves Freemasons, which do not adhere to these principles, and while that attitude exists the Grand Lodge of England refuses absolutely to have any relations with such Bodies, or to regard them as Freemasons."

Those three clauses were set out in the letter sent to the Grand Lodge of Uruguay, and the letter then continued in these terms: "We are informed that you no longer have the Volume of the Sacred Law open in your Lodges unless it be specifically requested, and we are told also that you have no prayers in Uruguayan Masonry. We are obliged to place these important matters before you as clearly as we can, and we venture to ask you if you wish to give any observations on any of the reports we have received." It is known that this letter was received by the Grand Lodge of Uruguay but no answer to it has been received. In these circumstances there can be no doubt that the Grand Lodge of Uruguay has abandoned the basic principles, or at any rate some of the basic principles, to which we adhere. We are bound by paragraph 8 which I have just read to you, and we are bound, I put it to you Brethren, to adhere to that paragraph 8. Therefore, on behalf of the Board of General Purposes and on the recommendation of The M.W. The Grand Master, I move: "That in view of the Grand Lodge of Uruguay not conforming with the Basic Principles of Freemasonry for which the Grand Lodge of England has stood throughout its history, recognition be withdrawn from that Grand Lodge."

The President of the Board of General Purposes: R.W. Assistant Grand Master, in seconding this resolution I wish to claim your attention for a few minutes in order to deal with one matter referred to by our V.W. Bro. the Grand Registrar in moving this motion, that is, the formula which was agreed upon at the Inter-American Conference in 1947, at Montevideo, under the chaperonage of the Grand Lodge of Uruguay. That Conference was attended by South American and Central American Lodges only; it was not attended by any of the Grand Lodges of the United States. The formula which was agreed upon at the Inter-American Conference in 1947 was that each of the Grand Lodges should adopt as a Basic Principle—and now I quote: "a belief in a Superior and Ideal Principle designated as the Great Architect of the Universe."

At that Conference there were some Grand Lodges which we recognize, and some which are irregular. When this report was received and translated, we were in some doubt as to the significance of the formula, and it was not accompanied by any explanation we began, naturally to make enquiries. Unfortunately, our two Lodges in Montevideo do not seem to be in close touch with the Lodges under the Uruguayan Jurisdiction, I presume on account of difference of language. Ours are English Lodges and they speak English; the Uruguayan Lodges use a different language. Little information could be elicited from our correspondence with South America, but one day we did meet a Freemason who had attended the Conference, and we learned from him that in the first session of the Conference about four hours were spent in agreeing upon this formula to which I have referred.

Not all the Grand Lodges that were present at that Conference have accepted this formula, but some have done so, and one of them is the Grand Lodge of Uruguay, as the Grand Registrar has explained. But while we were in doubt at one time about the significance of this expression, we are in no doubt today. Only during the past ten days I find that the Grand Master of another Grand Lodge in South America—by "another" I mean not the Grand Lodge of Uruguay—has recently made a pronouncement stating that his Grand Lodge has adopted this formula as a definition of the basic principles upon which its organization rests. And yet this same Grand Lodge wrote us last year that it adheres to the Landmarks of the Order as we know them. It would therefore seem to be incumbent on the Grand Lodge of England to state in clear terms where it stands on this fundamental matter.

The expression "The Superior and Ideal Principle designated the Great Architect of the Universe" is, we have concluded, an attempt to reconcile the irreconcilable and make the expression "The Great Architect of the Universe" subordinate to "Superior and Ideal Principle." By a stroke of the pen it would eliminate from our belief the personal God; it would eliminate our belief in the immortality of the soul, and it would be contrary to the faith that we promulgate when we say that "the working tools of a Master Mason teach us to bear in mind and act according to the laws of our Divine Creator."

The Grand Master of the South American Grand Lodge to which I have referred gave the following explicit explanation—and I would ask you to listen to this explanation, which is in a few words. His explanation was and I quote: "Masonry raises this formula as a manifestation of respect to all creeds as a sign of alliance between the incredulous and believers." I will read that again: "Masonry raises this formula as a manifestation of respect to all creeds as a sign of alliance between the incredulous and believers.'

The situation is now clear: the formula is devised to enable the Grand Lodge that uses it to face in two opposite directions at the same time: one to open the front door to regular Masons under the words "Great Architect of the Universe," and at the same time to have a postern gate where, under the words "Superior and Ideal Principle," atheists can be admitted. The only justification that is claimed for this departure from our Landmarks is that it increases the **universality** of Freemasonry, a justification I cannot see has any true worth. Indeed, as I see it, under the word "universality" it is an attempt to increase the numbers in our Order by the sacrifice of our Basic Principles. I do know that in the case of Uruguay it has resulted in such an incursion of atheists that the Volume of the Sacred Law has been banished from the Altar, and from the Uruguayan ritual have been eliminated all prayers; because if you do not believe in and acknowledge God, you have no one to whom to pray.

Our stand on this matter is unequivocal and resolute. This formula and this pronouncement vitiate the Landmarks of the Order as we know them, and any Grand Lodge that adopts this formula, to our mind, comes within the category of those Grand Lodges which we define in clause 8 of our Aims and Relationships which our Brother, the Grand Registrar, has read to you; that is to say, they are Bodies styling themselves Freemasons which do not adhere to our principles, and the Grand Lodge of England must refuse absolutely to have any relations with such Bodies, or to regard them as Freemasons.

It cannot be too widely known in the Masonic world that the Grand Lodge of England regards the Lodges under its jurisdiction as sanctuaries, where members meet for the purpose of being happy and of communicating happiness under Divine guidance, which we invoke upon all Masonic occasions. Nothing will induce us to depart from that standpoint, and the Board will, I know, feel that it is its bounden duty to make its recommendations in regard to recognitions strictly in acordance with our professions.

R.W. Assistant Grand Master, I beg to second the motion of the Grand Registrar, namely, that we withdraw recognition from the Grand Lodge of Uruguay.
(Loud and prolonged applause.)

The R.W. Assistant Grand Master: Brethren, before I put this motion to the vote, I would like to ask whether there is any brother who wishes to speak to this motion? (There was no response.)

The motion was agreed to.

DRESS AT MASONIC MEETINGS

Brethren will no doubt have noticed that instructions for Masonic functions held under the auspices of Grand Lodge indicate that dark clothing, black tie and white collar should be worn. The Board strongly recommends to Masters of Lodges, on whom the final responsibility must rest, that they should by example and encouragement lead their members to a standard dress compatible with the dignity of the Order.

It is felt that, with the end of clothes rationing, it is not unreasonable to hope that dark suits, black shoes and ties, and white collars will become general wear with Masonic clothing.

The Board has also given consideration to the wearing of white gloves at Masonic Meetings, and now recommends that, from the 1st January, 1952, it shall be left to the discretion of the Master of each Lodge to decide, after duly considering the interests of the members generally, whether to request that they be worn.

FLORIDA. Grand Master. 1950

FLORIDA. Report of Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence. 1950

SMOKING IN LODGE ROOM

There appears to be much discussion among the membership as to the advisability of permitting smoking in the Lodge room and in accordance with the recommendation of the Grand Master, we recommend that Regulation 228 be amended to read as follows:

> "Smoking in a Lodge room at any time is prohibited."

IDAHO. Grand Master. 1950

I feel that Masonry is being lived in Idaho today better than ever before. Masonic interest and loyalty is very noticeable and true fellowship has ever been noticeable at all meetings.

The time is here when we should indvidually carry Masonry outside our Lodge halls, believing in its high principles and virtues, living true Masonic lives each day and doing all possible to influence those with whom we come in contact to believe in and protect our American way of life. Without being conscious of it, a man who lives his Masonry is often influential in inspiring others to live better, cleaner and more patriotically. The man who lives his Masonry cannot help being a good citizen and will uphold the laws of the land which affords him protection, ever protecting the rights of the individual which makes this Nation great.

Life has become richer for me through my year of service and I know that the Masons of Idaho are among the finest men in our Nation. I have been proud to have been privileged to meet and associate with so many fine Brethren and hope that I have been able to contribute some small service to the Craft, at least by leaving some inspiration with New Members whom I have ever been mindful of and have endeavored to encourage in their great venture into Freemasonry.

ILLINOIS. Grand Master. 1950

Since last we met world conditions have become more disturbed and unsettled, with the result that we are now confronted with the necessity of contributing of our means and our manhood in an effort to preserve freedom for mankind. The cessation of the fighting of World War II, led many to believe that at last we could look forward to many years of peace on earth. It seemed that all peoples were ready to embrace the principle of "The Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man" through organizations created to preserve peace. It now appears that sincerity was lacking, that successes had contorted the reason of factions unaccustomed to prosper, creating selfishness and the desire to dominate all the others. When animated by such ambitions and desires it often requires the combined efforts of all the others to control the offender, and to preserve the rights and privileges of peaceful assembly.

Dictatorship or domination by any individual or group is contrary to the teachings and principles of our great fraternity. We should be deeply concerned in the affairs of the world and in particular with those within our own borders. We have lived and prospered, as has no other nation, under the blessings and protection of the world's greatest governmental document. There are those who would tamper with or wholly ignore its provisions to accomplish their own selfish ends, and unless we are constantly on the alert we could easily lose all those freedoms and privileges which we have come to accept daily as our right. I most sincerely urge every Mason to exercise his right of franchise and vote at every election, forgetting any partisan feelings or affiliations, being guided and influenced in his choice of candidates for public office by the candidates' reputation for honesty, sincerity of purpose, and loyalty to the ideals of government enunciated by the great Lincoln.

Our form of government was devised by those who had been oppressed, and had known "Taxation without Representation." Their bitter experiences had created in their hearts and minds a burning desire for security and freedom from oppresson in any form. Being actuated by these principles many stalwarts of early American Freemasonry took a leading part in its formation and all through the intervening years many of our brethren have used their best efforts to preserve it for succeeding generations. It is our duty and responsibility to carry on the struggle for liberty and increase the influence of freedom of thought and action throughout other lands. By comparison the advantages and privileges of American citizenship so far surpass that of most all other parts of the world, that if they can become universally known to all peoples then all "ism" except Americanism will disappear from the face of the earth. True Americanism, like Masonry, recognizes the rights of the individual, deplores the waste of the wars of hate and greed, encourages the creation of wealth and its conservation, and constantly seeks to increase the knowledge and understanding of man. Other attributes are freedom of expression either orally or by the written word, worship of a Supreme Being without interference and by doing to others as if you were the others.

With confidence we face the future realizing full well that world conditions may yet become worse, but in the end the forces of justice, truth and love will prevail. Masons and Masonry must assume their full share of the task to accomplish the defeat of those who would bring to naught the blessings of the Supreme Being. The principles and lessons taught us behind tiled doors applied in our every day associations with mankind will exert a far reaching influence for good and lead to a better understanding of each other's problems, making their solution assured. The Grand Architect has furnished us with the tools to build a beautiful place in which to live. Should we fail through carelessness, indifference or bungling in their application to carry out His designs and plans then we may not expect to enjoy the reward for a task well done. It will be left to other and stronger hands to carry out His purposes to re-establish peace and good will among men before all is destroyed.

In general Masonry within our lodges has progressed favorably during the year under review, but there still remains much to be done to bring it to the position of leadership it so richly deserves.

By perusing the report on Masonic discipline it is very evident that most of our troubles with the offenses against the craft and society could be avoided by a more careful screening of the qualifications of candidates to this society. I urge every master on his return to his lodge to impress on the membership the very important responsibility resting on the investigation committee. Particular care should be used in cases where the petitioner has not lived in the community continuously for a long period of time and little can be learned from local sources. The committee should investigate separately and not as a group. Very often discrepancies are discovered by this plan, when comparison of findings are had by several members of the committee, and mistakes are avoided.

INDIANA. Grand Master. 1950

CLANDESTINISM

A report that clandestine Masonry was flourishing in South Bend, Indiana, was the reason for the assembling of a group of very distinguished Masons in the offices of Jones, Obenchain & Butler in South Bend, Indiana, on the morning of Friday, January 13, 1950. Among the visitors were Ill. Brother Melvin Maynard Johnson, Sovereign Grand Commander of A.A.S.R. Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, of Boston, Massachusetts; Orrin E. Boyle, 33rd, Allentown, Pennsylvania; Samuel D. Jackson, Deputy for Indiana, A.A.S.R.; John G. Malmberg, Active for Indiana, Valley of South Bend; Clarence R. Martin, P.G.M. and special counsel for the Grand Master; Carl L. Hibberd, P.G.M. and special deputy for the Grand Master; Ill. Brother Roland Obenchain, and your Grand Master.

It developed that the matter under consideration involved colored men to a great extent, that no more than seven whites were involved, and that they were largely white men rejected by regular Lodges or never even been considered as likely material for a Lodge. The investigation was ordered continued for a time to see what might develop, but when the leaders of the group under investigation changed the provisions of their By-Laws so as to provide that no white man could petition for membership, the Grand Lodge had no further interest in the matter and withdrew from the investigation. The tireless work of Judge Clarence R. Martin, P.G.M., concerning this later phase of the investigation is hereby gratefully acknowledged. He was invaluable to your Grand Master at all times during the year, but especially so at this time.

From the standpoint of membership, the Craft is flourishing. Including Solar Lodge U.D. we have 540 Lodges in this Jurisdiction. On December 31, 1948, there were 160,951 Masons in Indiana. One year later, the total was 165,133. Lodge gains totalled a gross of 4,555 while losses reduced the net by 373 to 4,182. The picture is promising, provided the Worshipful Masters have made use of the instructions given them. If on the other hand they have merely continued to confer the degrees and preside over stated meetings then very little, if any, growth has been made.

As I have gone about the state, I have discovered an intense interest in Masonry from an expressed desire on the part of votaries for additional material in the various fields of interest to the student of Masonry. Ritual is fine and must be mastered, but ritual is not enough. Knowledge of the history of Masonry is permanent, otherwise the young Mason is apt to be fed on the gross exaggerations that were so common in the days following the first World War. The philosophy of Masonry must be comprehended, otherwise most of the symbolism of the principles of Masonry will be misunderstood. Schools of instruction for the old as well as the new Mason must be established to provide a well informed Masonic Lodge in any community.

While many of the smaller Lodges are housed in charming Temples, all too many of our lodges are attempting to disseminate Masonic light in rooms that are dark and dingy. Operating on a basis of forty or fifty years back, thinking in terms of fees and dues of the early part of the 20th Century, they are attempting to move along with Lodges that charge two and three times the fees that they do, and more than twice the dues. Never thinking of the future, they have little money on hand, and are in no position to meet emergencies as they arise.

Masonry is so poorly regarded by many of its votaries that they think thirty dollars to be too much of a charge for initation fees. They feel that five dollars dues should be reduced despite the fact that at the present time it is pittance dues from the standpoint of a constructive program in a Lodge. In the opinion of your Grand Master, Masonry would be very desirable at $100.00 fees for every Lodge in the country, and $10.00 minimum dues would be possibly too little and not too great. We have permitted too many men to enter our Fraternity who years ago would have gone to other Lodges that have since practically passed out of existence, due to the fact that that was the type individual attracted to them. Masonry can never be placed on too high a plane. It is a good buy at any price.

Some of our smaller Lodges must begin to think in terms of providing Temples for the dissemination of Masonic light rather than in terms of club room meeting places for a social game of cards before and after the meeting. Some of our larger Lodges must begin to think in terms of Fraternity-wide conditions rather than localized ones. While the principles of Masonry blaze just as brightly in the Lodge over the country store, nevertheless, the setting would be more appropriate, were the altar in a Cathedral or Temple worthy of the Grand Architect of the Universe, rather than in the weather-beaten building which houses it in all too many instances in Indiana.

By and large, the picture is bright and the future is promising. We have more Masons in Indiana than at any time in its history. We have more fine Temples than at any previous time. The work of the Education Committee is beginning to be manifest in an inquiring Craft in the state, and our Grand Lecturer gives promise of continuing his good work in instructing the Craft. Aware of our shortcomings, sensing our weakness and recognizing that the upward climb is a long, hard climb we face the future, confident of the high place Masonry will continue to occupy in the affairs of our country, and feeling secure in the knowledge of its beneficient influence among men.

IOWA. Grand Master. 1950

From my observation and through reports received from various sources, I can report that the condition of the Craft, to my knowledge, has never been better.

The lodges have generally followed my recommendations and have given their support to the program of law observance.

This program was instituted after due consideration and some deliberation. I am sure there was a real need for it, and I know the lodges will be much better equipped to govern themselves if they are well grounded in the laws of the Grand Lodge. I tender my thanks to the lodges of this State for their support of this endeavor.

DELINQUENT DUES

This question still causes some trouble in the lodges. Each brother knows he must pay lodge dues, and it is his responsibility to see that they are paid within the prescribed time.

The few brethren who can but fail to pay their dues are a poor asset to the Fraternity, and we would still prosper without them. If our law was changed to permit the automatic suspension of these laggard brethren, the problem we now have would soon disappear. We all agree that if a brother is in financial difficulty and makes the fact known, his dues would be remitted. But he who forgets his obligation and is willing to allow his brethren to bear the burdens of lodge finance is a poor member at best.

Growth is the immutable law of nature, and we must adhere to the pattern set for us by the Almighty Creator in the designs upon His trestle board if we as a group are to accomplish those things for which we strive. Let us therefore remember our duty to God, to our neighbor, and to ourselves in our daily lives as Masons, that our State and Nation may be better places in which all may live and enjoy the blessings of peace, plenty, and prosperity. Let us be tolerant with our neighbor and his opinion, but unafraid to stand by and support our own. We must be steadfast and immovable in our American and Masonic ideals if we as a Fraternity and as individuals hope to maintain those principles of government of, by, and for the people, so wisely established and handed down to us by our forefathers. And let us never forget that eternal vigilance is the price of liberty.

KANSAS. Grand Master. 1950

We are living in a hectic age. The prices of everything are still high but the cost of friendship, brotherly love, and truth remains the same. The cost of Government is terrific when figured in monetary terms, but one who is unwilling to work to see that the high ideals of this country are maintained and preserved should not be allowed the privilege and protection afforded us as citizens of this Great Nation.

Always in times of stress we look to our strong leaders and history shows that our Masonic Fraternity has produced many of the strong men of all ages. No power on earth is strong enough to overthrow the principles of Freemasonry. They are founded upon the rock of truth, brotherly love, service and tolerance to all.

In my travels and visits over the State I find that in most of the 77 Districts and a vast majority of the 449 Lodges there is a steady increase in membership, fellowship, and interest in the work. Masonry in Kansas as well as in all of the United States is showing a great surge forward in that so many fine young men are applying to us for membership and being accepted into our order. How long these fine young men will continue to seek for further light depends on us. Our object is not so much the getting more men into Masonry as in getting more Masonry into men. I recommend that we check carefully on all petitioners and that our Committees on Investigation do a thorough job in all instances,.especially in cases where the petitioner has not lived very many years in the jurisdiction of the Lodge receiving the Petition. Since we take only good men into our Order and endeavor to make them better, let us strive through example and teaching to make this come to pass in all cases of men on whom we confer the Degrees. Always bear in mind that any Petitioner you recommend may some day be Master of your Lodge.

It is my belief through careful observance that in several communities where small inactive Lodges exist mergers should be sought. It is always a hardship for a few sincere Brothers to maintain a Lodge where petitions are few and far between and attendance is slack. This is especially true in a few Lodges whose members no longer live in the community and where the young men reaching maturity have no opportunities for employment in gainful occupations and move to other towns. If there be no hope for the future of a dormant Lodge, Masons and Masonry would be benefited by such Lodges merging with a nearby strong and active Lodge. In all cases where extremely weak Lodges exist some corrective remedy should be applied. Fortunately this condition does not exist in many localities.

I would like to pay tribute to those loyal members found in every Lodge who year after year assist in the

Degree work, give the Lectures, coach the candidates, serve on the Committees and attend the meetings regularly. Masonry is much like Democracy in that it works best from the bottom up. Working well at the community level it will function smoothly at the top. Most of the credit for the fine condition of Masonry in Kansas is due the workers who learn their Masonry from the bottom up.

KENTUCKY. Grand Master. 1949

A PROCLAMATION

When our heavenly Father created this Universe, He did not cut it loose to flounder by itself. First, He gave man dominion over all the earth. Then, He gave man a book of rules. These rules, if obeyed, would enable mankind to live in a manner that would benefit mankind. That book of rules is known as

THE HOLY BIBLE

All the suffering the world is staggering under can be attributed to ignoring the rules God gave us. We have set them aside for rules we like better, more pleasing to the materialistic palate.

The forces of anti-God are on the march—they have been for a long time. They are openly and brazenly defiant. The forces of righteousness are going blithely on their way, keeping aloof from a consciousness, an awareness of an existing menace that, right now, is a serious threat to the security of all we hold dear, a serious threat to our homes, our investments and our nation.

THEREFORE, it is proper that the short space of one week be set aside each year to pause and re-affirm our conviction in the simple truth that "Where the spirit of the Lord is, there is Liberty."

NOW THEREFORE, as Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, Free and Accepted Masons, I do hereby designate and proclaim the week of October 17 to 23, 1949, as

NATIONAL BIBLE WEEK

in all lodges under the Grand Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky.

I request all lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction to include a suitable Bible observance program in the regular meetings on that date, or at the first meeting thereafter, if none is held during that week, for the purpose of Scripture reading and appropriate remarks on this great antidote to the Anti-God propaganda being put out today and I will appreciate your wholehearted support and cooperation.

Given under my hand as Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, F. & A. M., in the City of Ashland, Ky., this the 23rd day of September, 1949.

MAINE. Grand Master. 1950

The future of Masonry in this jurisdiction is in your keeping.

This is a serious responsibility. To meet that responsibility we must ask ourselves, what is it that is in our keeping? What is Masonry?

A partial answer is found in the words of J. Q. Goss, in an address delivered in Omaha, Nebraska, in 1867. He said, in part: "Masonry is an institution founded by man, upon those divine Principles which underlie all that is truly noble and good in humanity. Its object is to educate man, and to develop him to the fullest extent in all those faculties of his nature that tend to harmonize the human family, and to elevate mankind to the highest attainable condition to which it is possible for human agencies and institutions to raise him.

"To his fellow man he is taught to act upon the principles of brotherly love—love to his fellow man, and especially to the brotherhood is strongly inculcated; and he is taught that the unity and harmony that pervades the Universe should form conspicuous elements in the human character."

Our own beloved Most Worshipful Ashley A. Smith, has said: "—all Masons meet on a common ground level of belief and faith; and so this institution is today not only one of the safeguards and bulwarks of theism but—one of the great positive forces for religious tolerence and unity; its inevitable and constructive tendency is to unite men of varying belief, to level the barriers of mere denominationalism,—to teach all of us the belief in one God.—The character and the scope of Masonic influence is for righteousness and peace and morality, for integrity and character. It occupies a very important place in the advancement and enlightenment of the world."

We have in these words a partial answer to the question, What is Masonry? These things, and others which will readily come to your mind, are committed to our keeping.

We must give serious thought to the position of Masonry in the world today. Drastic changes have taken place during recent years, and are still occurring with alarming frequency. Many of the Grand Lodges of Europe have been abolished. Masonic property has been confiscated. Masonic leaders have been imprisoned, tortured and killed. You have heard of these things many times before, I mention them now because we must always remember that such things have happened, and can happen again.

It has been truly said that "Eternal vigilance is the price of Liberty" and that "The true danger is, when liberty is nibbled away, for expedients, and by parts."

These quotations should cause serious reflection to thinking minds. A casual glance about us give ample evidence of constant threats to our liberties; threats to our churches, our Order and our way of life.

We must be ever vigilant, lest that which we have inherited be lost. We must take every precaution to see that nothing interferes with the orderly conduct of Masonic affairs in this country.

We must keep constantly in mind that a threat to the liberty of any person or group is a threat to the liberty of all. That such a threat may attain proportions to challenge the existence of our Masonic Lodges and the Church itself.

Neither the Church nor Masonry can be destroyed. If their temporal holdings be demolished, the ideals of each institution will live in the hearts and minds of its adherents, and pass on from generation to generation, until time shall be no more.

To our care, my brothers, this institution is committed in this generation. It is our duty to see that it suffers no detriment at our hands.

Our course is clear. A faithful reliance on Divine Providence, adherence to the Great Light in Masonry, and the constant practice of Masonic principles will protest our inheritence, spread the cement of friendship and brotherhood, and thereby establish and maintain a better understanding among the peoples of the earth. Thus may Masonry make its contribution toward the welfare of mankind and the future peace of the world; and thus may we fulfiill our sacred obligation to those who have left this institution in our keeping.

May we brethren, with the help of the Great Artificer of the Universe, be ever worthy of our trust.

The records for the year show a continued increase in membership. The number raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason was 1,829. The net gain was 931, and our membership at the close of the year was 44,181. This is the largest membership ever reported in this jurisdiction. Our present growth seems to be healthy and normal.

The financial condition of the great majority of the constituent lodges is good. The problem of unpaid dues continues to vex several lodges. The reports indicate that in a few lodges this problem has reached a stage where positive action should be taken immediately.

May I respectfully repeat the suggestion which I made last year: that the officers of each lodge where this problem exists review the financial condition of their lodge and make every possible effect to correct the situation. It is a problem which can easily get out of control unless given constant and careful attention.

Attendance records for the year indicate that interest continues good. The committee which was appointed to outline a program intended to increase interest among the members has held a number of meetings and has attended several of the district meetings and schools of instruction for the purpose of discussing suggested programs.

The committee has given much thought to its work and has been able to make some helpful suggestions during the year.

MASSACHUSETTS. Grand Master. 1949

MEMBERSHIP

Our membership in 1948 was 111,468; it is now 114,261, which is an increase of 2,793. Initiations in 1948 were 5,767; this year they were 5,286, in other words, 481 less. The decrease was less than we had anticipated, and as I have said several times, we have been pleased that they have held up as well as they have. As far as we can judge, the quality is just as good as ever.

There are 329 Lodges operating under the Masssachusetts Constitution. Of this number, 313 are in Massachusetts, 1 is under dispensation (Wamsutta in Fall River), 7 in the Canal Zone, 3 in Chile, and 5 in China, not including Talien, which has been in recess since about 1940. We are not in direct touch with our Lodges in China now as mail has come back marked, "No delivery in that area."

MICHIGAN. Grand Master. 1950

EDICT

To the Worshipful Masters, Wardens
and Brethren of the Constituent Lodges
of the State of Michigan:

Careful consideration of the problem of the use of Rituals other than those furnished by the Grand Secretary as approved by Grand Lodge compels me to review with you the Masonic Law relating to the use of Rituals.

Reference is made to Page 34 of the Blue Book, 4-33, under heading Duties of Master—and the decisions thereunder.

EDICT REAFFIRMED

On October 10, 1917, our then Grand Master and later a member of our Jurisprudence Committee of Grand Lodge, namely Louis H. Fead, issued the following Edict:

> "The possession of rituals other than those authorized by Grand Lodge is a Masonic offense. The Masters are ordered to take up and destroy all unauthorized rituals and to cause charges to be preferred against brethren, who, after being warned, refuse or neglect to surrender any in their possession."

I have been advised that unauthorized Rituals are in evidence in some of the Constituent Lodges in Michigan; that use is being made of them, and because of this, I hereby reaffirm the Edict of 1917 made by the then Grand Master Louis H. Fead, and in addition thereto promulgate the following as an Edict:

EDICT

> "It is hereby declared to be the duty, and shall be the duty of every Worshipful Master and Warden, District Deputy Instructor, as well as any individual member of the fraternity to advise the Right Worshipful Grand Lecturer of any infraction of the law regarding the possession or use of spurious or unauthorized Rituals by any member of the Masonic fraternity.
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> "It shall be the duty of the Grand Lecturer to refer the matter to the Grand Master who will deal directly with each violation.
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> "It is hereby declared to be a Masonic offense for any member to make use of any unauthorized Ritual and be subject to such penalties as may be inflicted under Masonic Law."

The above Edict to be read to the Brethren at the first stated meeting your Lodge.

Hugh J. Johnston,
Grand Master.

Dated at Traverse City, Michigan.
April 3rd, 1950.

MINNESOTA. Grand Master. 1950

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS

The following were introduced, received with Grand Honors, welcomed by the Grand Master and invited to seats in the East; from Manitoba, Harry Coddington, Grand Master; William Douglas and Walter C. McDonald, Past Grand Masters and Fred H. Blythe, Grand Director of Ceremonies.

Finally to that great group of men you Past Masters, Masters and members of subordinate lodges; your spirit and hard work is recognized and applauded.

Just so sure as drops of water make streams, rivers and oceans so each member of each subordinate lodge is an integral, necessary and vital part to the growth, development and stability of this Fraternity. We all know that it is by and through you millions of men, good and true that we are now and will always be in the future the most vital force for good in the world.

This Grand Lodge is now and will always be no better and no worse than you make it.

I have tried during my years to stimulate a wider interest in you. It has been my purpose to infuse a more agile, virile Masonic spirit in this Grand Jurisdiction. I have encouraged the fostering of a greater social side in our Masonic life. I have tried to stress our duties as good citizens in our homes, communities, state and nation. You have been warned to be more painstaking and vigilant at all times in the guarding and protecting of all our liberties which we enjoy and which we have inherited. If liberty, equality and fraternity is to continue, it must be through the steadfastness, thought and labor of the Blue Lodge Mason.

To him we give our unanimous, oral vote of good will.

"It is hereby RESOLVED, That this Grand Jurisdiction arrange for the study of the following related questions:

1. The lengthening of the time between the conferring of the first, second and third Degrees.

2. Requiring a Master Mason to pass an examination on the Third Degree before petitioning for membership in any of the so called higher Bodies.

3. Requiring a lapse of at least one year between the conferring of the Third Degree and petitioning for membership in any of the so-called higher Bodies.

Requesting the Grand Master to appoint a committee to study the foregoing questions and report at the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge."

MISSISSIPPI. Grand Master. 1950

I am of the sincere opinion that our Lodges should have a program of work that is more than the conferring of degrees. Such a program would include the study of the philosophy, the symbolism and history of our Craft; a social schedule which would be dignified but interesting for the Brethren and their families; an active benevolence aim; a full co-operation with those events which might be promoted by the Grand Lodge; and many others which would suggest themselves to alert officers. I do not feel that we have reached our ultimate aim in Mississippi, that Masonry can make the powerful impact and be the influence for good in the community, of which it is capable, unless more and more of our members can be prevailed upon to attend meetings regularly thru programs of work for the Lodges which are not only instructive but interesting and entertaining. I would also recommend that Masters create more committees so that more members may be given work to do. I wish more time were available now to permit a more complete presentation of this matter.

MONTANA. Grand Master. 1950

Freemasonry was not founded for the purpose of conferring degrees. For the past few years that has seemed to be its great object. Its original design was to make men more conscious of their duty to God, their country, their neighbor and to themselves. It was to bring men together in a finer and higher type of fellowship.

We must get back to that design if we want our Masonry to hold that exalted spot in our country, where it rightfully belongs. The size of an organization such as ours, nor the funds in the treasury, make it successful. But the joy we feel in our hearts that we are members, and the active interest we take in it and its activities, will help to make and keep it above all others.

We are living in a changing world. We find the luxuries of yesteryear have become the necessities of this one. But no one has ever found a better substitute for those fundamental principles that every Mason should profess and practice.

Masons are taught to be loyal to their government and should be as long as that government is honest. The Constitution of our Country contains many Masonic Ideals which were placed there because of the great influence of those brethren who were members of the Constitutional Convention.

We should be thankful that we are in a free country. A country that as yet gives us some individual rights and privileges. But if we become too apathetic and indifferent, and we have been in the past, we will surely lose this precious freedom.

Let us in our daily lives perform such duties that are for the betterment of our Communities and our Nation. Masonic influence must be felt in every community if we are to preserve our freedom from civil and spiritual tyrants. Let us adopt that motto "work and pray" and then work tirelessly and pray faithfully for the success of our projects.

NEBRASKA. Grand Master. 1950

During the year I voiced officially some thoughts and sentiments which perhaps should be recorded briefly; I chose as my motto or slogan "LET YOUR LIGHT SO SHINE," and at our first official meeting of your Grand Lodge Officers at Wahoo, September 7th, 1949, I directed that the programme for the year should be the spreading of greater Masonic light throughout the State and emphasizing the great "power of example."

I am told that there is a Church in Switzerland among the Alps far up on the mountainside, and in it there are no lights or lamps. When the time comes for evening service, one can see the villagers coming from their homes, each one bearing his own light. At first, there is only a faint glimmer in the darkness, but when all have arrived for the service, the little Church is aglow with the combined light of many lamps and candles.

Many of us have only a small light, perhaps; others have a large light. But the world has no light at all, save as all bring our lights together. The world is waiting for the Masonic Lights of human love, friendliness, cheer, kindness, courage, faith, hope and prayer as should be exemplified in the individual life of every Master Mason. Are you bringing your light to help brighten a dark world?

There are five major approaches to Masonry, namely:

1. Historical
2. Ritualistic
3. Philosophical
4. Psychological
5. Ethical

I am of the opinion that in all our work and education in spreading the Light of Masonry, the emphasis should be placed on the Ethical Approach, as being the most vital and important.

We should never lose sight of the dynamics of Masonry as it affects individual character. We are taught that Masonry is a religion, but is a way of life. Masonry is a builder of men, of communities, of states, of nations. It teaches, both in theory and practice, the value of individual effort and the unlimited possibilities of power in the influence of a single human life.

Let every individual Mason here take back to his home lodge the thought that we have a personal responsibility in supporting and maintaining the noble democratic institutions of this great country—the home, the public schools and the church.

In so doing, my Brethren, let us bear in mind that we always exemplify the truth, light, and principles which we are taught at our Sacred Altar by being a tower of example for good, and following the precepts set forth in the Sermon on the Mount by the first Great Teacher and Saviour of men.

> "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven."

NEVADA. Grand Master. 1950

It was my pleasure to visit all of the Constituent Lodges of our Grand Jurisdiction, three of which were joint visitations Except for a few instances of differences between individual members, I found harmony prevailing throughout the Grand Jurisdiction.

Practically all of the Lodges have had considerable work on their trestle boards, and reports indicate a gain of 200 in membership during the year. Investigations have been made in each case where there appeared to be an abnormally rapid growth in membership. However, in no case have I found any laxity in selection of candidates

The brethren are keenly aware of the problems facing the Fraternity and are awake to their responsibility in seeing that no person enters our portals who is a member of an organization that has for its purpose the destruction of our Democratic form of government, our Fraternity and other American institutions. They were practically unanimous in their opinion that Freemasonry should take a more active and a more aggressive stand against any such organization, whether it be called "Communism" or any other "ism."

District Grand Lodge of Newfoundland,
President Board of General Purposes, 1949

In my last report I mentioned that a committee had been formed to look into the matter of INVESTIGATION OF CANDIDATES for membership in our Lodges. Bound up with this, too, is the instruction which candidates should receive before initiation and between degrees.

The pamphlets brought from Ontario by Wor.; Bros., Clark and Roberts, were discussed and the committee felt they should be submitted to the Grand Secretary before any decision was arrived at concerning their use. They were not looked on with favour by Grand Lodge, or rather, I should say, the manner in which they are intended to be used was favoured. The committee is now at work preparing something which will convey the necessary instruction, not to the candidate, but to his proposer and seconder.

Reports from the practice of some our Lodges seemed to show that proposers and seconders have not always taken as serious a view of their responsiblities in this regard as is desirable. The committee is endeavouring to prepare something which will bring home this responsibility. Their work has also sought to produce something that will tighten up the working of degrees in this respect so that by the time a candidate is raised he will have a much better grounding in the Craft than has sometimes, if not generally, been the case of late. We look for great things from their efforts in due course in the improvement of the QUALITY of the Masons we make in if not the QUANTITY.

NEW FOUNDLAND. District Grand Master,
(District Grand Lodge of England), 1950.

Amongst the outstanding services to the Craft during the half year was the visit to Twillingate Lodge No. 2364 on February 15th, when W. Bro. F.R. Clark, P.A.G.D. (England), our District Grand Junior Warden travelled on the Arctic ice some forty-five miles in a tractor to Twillingate Island in the North Atlantic from Lewisporte, after a journey of some 264 miles by railway to conduct the installation of the officers of Twillingate Lodge. He arrived covered with snowdrift and received a wonderful welcome for this feat. He conducted the annual installation which was the first one of its kind ever performed, to my knowledge, by a District Grand Lodge Officer from the Capitol.

NEW FOUNDLAND. District Grand Secretary.

It is also reported that a new Lodge has been established at Goose Bay, under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia. The District Grand Master explained that this new Lodge had been formed under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia by arrangement with the District Grand Lodge through the Grand Secretary of the United Grand Lodge of England.

NEW HAMPSHIRE. Grand Master. 1950

STATE OF THE ORDER

Freemasonry stands and has always stood for: Freedom of religious thought; freedom of political thought; for personal freedom within the law; for the worth, dignity and importance of the individual. In Freemasonry there is no compulsion, a man must come to it, and be of it, of his own free will and accord. In Freemasonry there is no religious sect. Men of all religions and of no religious sect, join hands and kneel at a common altar, erected to the G. A. O. T. U., by which name each can worship the God he knows. As Anderson states in his Constitutions, concerning God and religion: "Men of honor and honesty, by whatever denominations they may be distinguished, whereby Masonry becomes the center of the Union."

Our Masonry of today, true to the basic ideals and objectives of the Craft, consistent in its practices and philosophy, is concerned with principles, rather than with programs; and we are indeed proud of the fact that our Lodges are undisturbed by contentious theories and all other matters not conducive to Lodge harmony. However, we are daily reminded that there is in our midst, those who are eager to tear down and destroy this great structure of Freemasonry, to undermine our civil and religious institutions, and create in their place, organizations that are contradictory and abhorrent to the ideals of our Craft.

The time is long past when we can view with idle complacency some of the events transpiring in our daily Masonic lives. These events are the concern of every freedom-loving member of our noble fraternity. It becomes the duty of our entire membership to make sure that the ancient landmarks of the Craft, the tenents of our profession, our ideals and our objectives remain inviolate. And through this unanimity of definite purposes, we will destroy forever that dense morass of bewildering and evil vicious propoganda that those who oppose us seek to place in our path, and so doing, reveal to mankind the brilliant light of truth and understanding.

May I be permitted to quote from the allocation of one of our Brothers in the Dominion of Canada—Ill. Brother Ross, Sovereign Grand Commander for the Supreme Council, 33°, of Canada: "What the world needs and sorely needs, is men of vision, wide vision, men with unsealed eyes, men with eyes washed in the fire, men with eyes to see the greater in the less, men with eyes to see the unseen in the seen. We are the heirs of the ages; there has come down across the years, and is now in our keeping a great and imperishable Masonic Heritage; how do we propose to pass it on—tarnished or burnished—

which? Conventional faith in our fraternity and what it stands for, will not suffice; we must bend our efforts to make sure—that the fine golden cord that runs through and binds together the hearts of men—remains unbroken —that the light of understanding never grows dim, or fades within our hearts—and that we keep alive and glowing the fires of Masonic Service upon our common Altar."

Mr. Brethren: In this world of today there are countless members of our Fraternity who denied the right to assemble in peace, the right of debate, the right to worship freely, carry on in spite of all efforts to suppress them. So remembering these staunch workers in the Craft, let us who rejoice in the freedom denied to them, daily reaffirm our faith in the G. A. O. T. U. and give thanks to Him that we are permitted to carry on our works in peace, through the Brotherhood of Man, and the Fatherhood of God.

GENERAL

The task of serving you as your Grand Master, and it is somewhat of a task, has, nevertheless, been a most pleasant one, and has occupied the greater part of my time practically uninterrupted, from my installation one year ago to this present time. It has brought to me a deep sense of the ideals and values of our beloved institution, that could be obtained in no other manner; it has given to me an insight into the innermost workings of the constituent Lodges, their application, and their adherence to the teachings and philosophies that are the very foundation of our noble Institution of Freemasonry.

We are all proud of the labors of those great men who, as Brothers, have gone before us, and who have left in our keeping the rich legacy we are permitted to enjoy today. We are proud of the high character, integrity, quality and record of achievement reflected by their participation in the affairs of our institution; their tasks have now become our tasks, their problems and perplexities are now ours for consideration and action, the mantle of responsibility for the preservation and perpetuation of those ideals which have withstood the test of time for over five centuries has descended upon our shoulders. We have become the arbitors of our destiny.

MASONIC EDUCATION

It is the intent of this Grand Lodge to place before each Lodge and each Brother such information and enlightenment as it possesses, and which it considers germane to the desires and objectives of Masonry. It is earnestly hoped that all will take advantage of this source of correct and authentic information thus made available for consideration and study; and it is further hoped that study will arouse in the mind of every individual an ardent desire to explore the depth, beauty and significance of our degrees as written and exemplified, which will in turn give to each a sense of appreciation of their relationship to mankind through the unfolding of the ritualistic and spiritual phases concealed therein.

Attention is also given to the civic and religious obligations of the fraternity, and what part they should play in our daily intercourse with the world, ,for we as Masons as well as citizens, are vitally concerned in our city, state and national government; we hold to be true the right to worship in our own denominations, and oppose any actions by any groups that would be of a contrary nature.

Our system of Masonic Education should be sufficiently all embracive to alert us to the aims of our aggressors; daily we encounter difficulties of one sort or another, strewn in our pathways by the nurtured hands and insidious propoganda of those who oppose directly or indirectly the ideals, desires and objectives which have become our rightful heritage and which we cherish and will always strive to maintain. It should teach us to use those working tools, with which we are equipped, in a practical and efficient manner; to readily recognize those seemingly minor and inconsequential encroachments upon our personal, civil and religious liberties, for what they are and what they will mean if not resisted and silenced. It should teach us to study and analyze what may appear to be simple and unimportant regulations and ordinances submitted by our Legislators, but which many times have carefully and cleverly concealed restrictions derogatory to our established lines of thought and procedure. It should teach us to be ever alert, ever deeply conscientious of our duties to the Craft; to ever remember who we are, from whence we came, what we stand for and whither we are traveling.

NEW JERSEY. Grand Master. 1950

The Craft in this jurisdiction at the present time is prosperous, in peace and harmony, high in morale, and the spirit of enthusiasm and interest is manifest in all sections of the State. Three lodges are contemplating building their own Temples. One lodge is working under dispensation; two other groups have consulted me with the idea of petitioning for dispensation.

While the number of petitions for membership was somewhat reduced from previous years, we have had a substantial increase in membership, as you will note when the report of the Grand Secretary is presented.

The investigation committees in nearly all instances are most zealous in their obligation to the several lodges, and I believe are adding real strength to a Fraternity built upon a strong foundation. I cannot emphasize too strongly the necessity of rigid examination by committees of investigation, and if more time is needed beyond the due date of the report, the Masters of lodges should be so advised.

My Brethren: The ties which unite the Masonic Brotherhood as one family are Friendship, Love and Charity. Friendship to each other, love to all mankind, and charity toward the poor, the suffering and afflicted. And when these are practiced by Masons as they should be, who will say that they do not constitute ties that can never be broken and which will last until time shall be no more.

Let us, then, in order to cherish and promote the beauties and harmony of Friendship, Love and Charity endeavor to lead a pure and unblemished life. Let us consider that not the reputation of only one, but that of the whole Fraternity is affected by a brother's misbehavior. Invested as we are with that distinguished badge which has been worn by a Washington, a Warren, a Franklin, a Lafayette, and thousands of the most worthy men upon earth, we should scorn to act beneath the dignity of our profession and contrary to the true character of a Free and Accepted Mason.

In a few short hours I will pass the gavel of authority to another. I now stand before you grateful and humble. Grateful for the high honor this Grand Lodge conferred upon me just one year ago, and offering me the opportunity to be of service to the Craft. I feel very humble when I realize that I have not been able to accomplish many things I had hoped to be able to do.

It has been my desire to serve, and I trust that our Grand Lodge has profited in many ways for my one year of stewardship. It has been a pleasure to serve, and as I lay down the burdens of the office and surrender the gavel of authority to my able successor, it is with a prayer that our Fraternity will continue its great work and appreciate its mission in the world, to make better men and Masons, and prove to the world we are sincere in our belief in the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhod of man.

NEW MEXICO. Grand Master. 1950

THE FELLOW CRAFT CLUB

The main concern in all Lodges is non-attendance and lack of interest. What can we do to hold the interest of our Brethren after they have been raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason?

My best answer to the problem is the Fellow Craft Club; to organize to create more jobs for more men in Masonry. Tie them in with the institution by giving them something to do. Make them feel that they are a part of the Order by encouraging them to learn to confer degrees, instruct candidates, visit the sick, serve in the kitchen, greet visitors—there the many jobs waiting to be done if we would but plan and organize to work our Brethren into them.

The Fellow Craft Club is not a cure-all for non-attendance and lack of interest, but it will improve both of these problems under proper leadership. I have seen it in operation at close hand and feel that I know whereof I speak.

When the day arrives that every constituent Lodge organizes with a planned program to make use of the unknown talent that knocks at the inner door, not only will we have a stronger Freemasonry in New Mexico but we will have a better-informed Freemasons.

OPINIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Query: Investigating Committee discovers petitioner is disqualified for membership for reasons other than moral and requests withdrawal of petition. Should ballot on motion to withdraw be secret or by show of hands? Should ballot be unanimous or a majority vote prevail?

Decision: The Lodge was in error in receiving the petition of one not qualified for membership and not the petitioner. A majority vote by show of hands shall prevail on motion to withdraw.

Query: Lodge received a petition for affiliation from a Brother belonging to another New Mexico Lodge. No documentary evidence accompanied the petition, but the Brother was vouched for. Should the petition be processed without a demit or paid receipt for 1950?

Decision: No.

Query: A Brother was suspended three times for nonpayment of dues, but each time restored his membership within the one-year period. Under our By-Laws, restoration entitles him "to all Masonic rights and privileges." Has he been in continuous membership?

Decision: No.

DISPENSATIONS

OUTDOOR COMMUNICATIONS

The open-air meetings continue to be very popular. Six were held during the year. More and more they are attracting Brethren from neighboring jurisdictions. The host Lodges should certainly be commended for their interest in promoting good fellowship and fraternalism. The financial burden must be quite an item to some of them.

THE ELIDA PLAN

Elida Lodge No. 31, is located in the very heart of the cattle country. A great majority of its members are ranchmen. In 1948 they built and dedicated a new hall, one of the best of the smaller Lodges in the State. When the smoke cleared away, they were in debt a substantial amount and were casting about for ways and means to liquidate it.

R.W. Brother John H. Wylie, District Deputy Grand Master of the Seventh Masonic District, came up with the idea that if every ranchman who could and would brand a calf each with the Square and Compasses in the name of Elida Lodge, the same to be sold when to best advantage, it would not be long until the debt was paid in full.

When making my official visit to Elida Lodge on December 3, it was my pleasure to present the plan to the asembled Brethren. They adopted it and appointed a committee to work out the details.

The first Branding Ceremony took place on January 29 on the ranch of W. Brother Tom Gainer. It was my experience to apply the Square and Compasses brand to the first White Face.

The branding irons were made by Brother Roy V. Tyner, Junior Warden of Roswell Lodge, No. 18, and will hang in the East of Elida Lodge when not in use.

This very unique plan of debt-retirement will be watched with interest by the Craft in general.

NEW YORK. Grand Master. 1950

As I reach the end of my administration as Grand Master, I realize more than ever the wisdom of the limitation of tenure of office, whether it be by law or custom or both, and whether the organization be fraternal or political or governmental.

Upon the office of Grand Master there beats such a light of publicity and prominence and public acclaim and flattery and association with men of distinction that the occupant of the Grand East might well loss his sense of proportion as he feeds on strong meat and heady wine. He runs the risk of having Shakespeare's immortal lines apply to him, "Upon what meat doth this our Caesar feed that he is grown so great?" He may well assume a Messianic complex and fail to catch the warning of the Biblical injunctions—"Be of the same mind one toward another. Mind not high things but condescend to men of low estate. Be not wise in your own conceits."—"He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy and to walk humbly with thy God?"—

We need to learn once again in this fast-moving, pleasure-loving age the lesson of humbleness and true humility. Man did not create this world. He is simply privileged to walk in it for a few short years and to add to or substract from the sum total of human progress.

These days we hear a great deal about the devaluation of national currencies, particularly the devaluation of the British Pound Sterling. But some people devalue everything. They devalue life, they devalue our age, they devalue our country, they devalue our way of living, they devalue the hopes and aspirations of millions of men and women struggling for a better way of life. But this is not true of Freemasonry. It does not devalue but rather it builds up and constructs and creates and gives a new meaning to life and helps countless generations of young men find new inspiration in fields of service where they can best serve their day and time.

The measure of life is not in its income but its outgo. So the measure of an instiution, such as this Fraternity of ours, is not its income but its outgo.

Our great Fraternity today lives because of its outgo, because of what it is doing to help needy humanity.

NEW ZEALAND. Board of General Purposes. 1949

APPROACH TO UNITED GRAND LODGE OF ENGLAND

Brethren under Grand Lodge have naturally hoped that the time will come when there will be a United Grand Lodge of New Zealand, with all Lodges in the Dominion holding under it.

The Board has given careful consideration to the matter and if of opinion that the approaching Diamond Jubilee of Grand Lodge should be marked by definite steps towards the attainment of this hope. It has therefore communicated with the Grand Lodge of England asking for its approval and support in an approach to the remaining English Lodges in New Zealand, to consider the transfer of their allegiance to a United Grand Lodge of New Zealand. If the Grand Lodge of England approves of our action, a similar request will be made to the Grand Lodges of Ireland and Scotland. The Board feels sure that Grand Lodge will approve of the Board's action, and will also be pleased to take generous action under the provisions of Rule 12 of the Book of Constitution in the case of brethren who have already or may come over as a result of this proposal.

The President's next motion was:

That Rule 153 be deleted and the following Rule substituted: "No Lodge shall iniate, pass, or raise more than two candidates on the same day unless by dispensation from the Grand Master, which dispensation shall specify the total number of candidates permitted on the day for which it is issued. The application for such dispensation shall specify the names of the candidates, the degree to be conferred, and the special circumstances under which the application is made."

He said that this arose out of a set of circumstances similar to those referred to in the previous motion. Here again he asked that the issue be dealt with from a national point of view and for the good of the Craft in general. "We have had instances, brethren," he said "of mass production of Masons. That may seen fantastic, but the Board is in possession of facts which are not generally available. One lodge which originally had a membership of 33 doubled its membership in one year. The Board is bound to take notice of such happenings and to do something about it." The President then quoted other instances and figures in support of his argument.

The motion was seconded by V.W. Bro. Wells, and carried without discussion.

NEW ZEALAND. Grand Master. 1949

ADDRESS BY THE MOST WORSHIPFUL THE GRAND MASTER

I have visited every District in the Dominion, attending at least two meetings in each one. In the Auckland

District I attended as many as eleven, and in the Waikato District thirteen. In all Districts I have witnessed the actual working of degrees in Lodges, as well as being present on various occasions of more ceremony. The work of Lodges everywhere was of a high standard, and only in one instance did it cause me disappointment. In this respect, there is little to choose between our different Districts, and I am glad that such is the case, because I am sure that when setting out on visits each of us begins with the firm conviction that his own District is the best and that his own Lodge is the only one that really conducts our ceremonies in the proper manner. I am happy to bear witness that other Districts and other Lodges are as good as my own.

Last year I spoke of certain dangers that threaten the Craft from within, and I ventured to give some practical advice regarding the management of our Lodges, particularly in the admission of Candidates. In general my remarks fell on barren ground, but I believe some Lodges among our number took heed of them, and possibly the seed sown will not be entirely fruitless. On this occasion I only wish to add that I believe the warnings I gave are just as necessary now, and that failure in regard to them must lead to the deterioration of our Order and the disadvantage of Grand Lodge.

When addressing you last year, I discussed certain questions from the point of view of the Lodge and the Master in relation to the admission of Candidates. I tried to explain the duty of the Master of a Lodge regarding initiation, and to indicate the reasons which should guide and influence us in the choice of our future Brethren, and to consider in detail their necessary qualifications. I tried to supply an answer to the question—Who are fit and proper persons to be made Freemasons?

NORTH DAKOTA. Grand Master, 1950.

I can truthfully say that the condition of Masonry is excellent, throughout this jurisdiction. During the past year I have travelled over eighteen thousand miles in North Dakota and have visited lodges in every section of the State. For the most part. have found the degree work to be of a high character, the interest in Masonry keen and the leadership capable and conscientious. Our membership is well over thirteen thousand, at the present time and the gradual increase from year to year, can mean but one thing. We are screeing our candidates well, and the moral tone of the fraternity is improving, as the years go by. From the Schools of Instruction that have been held this year, I find the officers anxious to perfect their work and they have been eager for suggestions leading to the improvement of both floor work and ritual. In one lodge I found only five errors in the conferring of the Entered Apprentice degree, while in another the errors were numerous, owing to faulty instruction in the ritual. However. the average is high and we expect to increase the proficiency of the officers even more, in the days to come.

HISTORIC GAVELS

One of the most interesting incidents in connection with the opening of the Grand Lodge was the use by Grand Master Pond of one of two gavels made from a plank taken from a brig sunk by the British in the St. Lawrence River during the war of 1812. The Captains of both ships were Master Masons. These gavels were made by the brothers-in-law of Past Master Emery G. Felt of Acacia Lodge No. 4, and after his death were given to Grand Master Pond. The other gavel was used by Acting Senior Grand Warden Glen C. Hulett.

Following the opening of the Grand Lodge W. Brother Bernard G. Gustafson of Acacia Lodge No. 4, asked permission to approach the East, and then presented Grand Master Pond with a gavel made from the ruins of the old Acacia Lodge Temple burned in the winter of 1912. This gavel was made by Past Master Merrill Williams and presented to W. Brother Gustafson at the time he was Worshipful Master of Acacia Lodge No. 4. Brother Gustafson asked that Grand Master Pond use it during the remainder of the Grand Lodge Session. Grand Master Pond assured him that he would be happy to. The gavel used during the opening was thereafter used by the R.W. Brother Edward J. Franta, Acting Junior Grand Warden.

PRESENTATION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

Grand Master Pond designated M.W. Brother Charles M. Pollock to present the guests from Canada. This group included M.W. Brother Harry Coddington, Grand Master, M.W. Brothers Wm. Douglas and Walter C. McDonald, Past Grand Masters; R.W. Brothers Ollie Best and Fred H. Blythe, all of Manitoba.

The Banff Conference in September was an opportunity to know, intimately, the men who are doing most for Masonry in the Great Dominion to the North, and I would not exchange that privilege for any I have had. Brethren, among these are the Great Men of Masonry and they stand shoulder to shoulder with us in the battle for liberty and justice and the rights of mankind, in which the World is now engaged. Thank God for the Freemasons of Canada, today.

I regretted, exceedingly, the emergency, which made it necessary for the Grand Lodge of Manitoba to postpone their annual communication, on account of the devastating flood which has caused untold misery and property loss to one third of the people of Winnipeg, as well as to thousands of the citizens of Manitoba. Our most sincere sympathy is extended to all flood sufferers in the province, and I hope and trust the Grand Lodge of Manitoba may find it possible to celebrate its 75th Anniversary, later in the year and that I may be privileged to attend.

Knowing that the most cordial and friendly relations exist between the Masonic Lodges of Manitoba and North Dakota, and wanting to give our Canadian Brothers an active part in the meeting, Emerson Lodge of Manitoba was asked to open the Tyled meeting on Lookout Point, and Pembina Lodge No. 2 of Pembina North Dakota, will close.

The Right Worshipful Bro. Walster who we feel sure will be our Grand Master will give the address followed by an address by the Most Worshipful Bro. Walter McDonald the immediate Past Grand Master of Manitoba. The Most Worshipful Bro. Pond will address the Masons who have been a Mason for 35 years or more.

This should truly be an International Masonic meeting which we hope will grow from year to year. And we trust that this Masonic example of Free Masons of Two Great Nations, will give aid and encouragement to those unfortunate suppressed people who are not free to meet and express their thoughts behind the so-called Iron Curtain.

NOVA SCOTIA. Grand Master, 1949

We are all becoming more convinced that if our way of life is to be improved and protected, the principles of our order, the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man, must be practised in all our contacts with mankind.

The importance of an active Christianity to support our democratic system cannot be over-estimated and it is, therefore, our duty to take our place in the Church of our choice so that our influence will help the work of God, that God who we as Masons are taught to reverence and obey.

By observing our duty as Freemasons, we will assist our government in discharging its international duty in preserving peace and improving the lot of mankind.

NOVA SCOTIA. Grand Master, 1950.

ANNAPOLIS ROYAL

Today as we meet in Annapolis Royal we are very conscious of history, for this lovely town set in the Annapolis Valley is steeped in history. It was to this place that French people came in 1604. The following year they erected a fort and planted grain and vegetables in the land now occupied by the town itself. Here was located the first settlement of people of European origin in North America north of the Gulf of Mexico. Adjacent water was harnessed for power, and grist mills processed the grain for use. Stock and equipment were imported from France. In 1613 the British came from Virginia and raided the place. In 1621 King James granted a charter to Sir William Alexander, later Earl of Stirling, and in 1629 Scotsmen took over from the French, and became the pioneers of these parts. In 1632 the charter was revoked and Acadia returned to French control. Before the final conquest of Port Royal by the British, as this place was then called, it changed hands between English and French control no less than eight times. After passing to final control of the Brtish in 1710 it was renamed Annapolis Royal, so named after Queen Anne then on the throne of England.

From 1717 until the American Revolution in 1776 there was the closest sort of intercourse—social, military, civil and commercial—between Annapolis Royal and Boston. In 1717 Col. Richard Philipps of South Wales was appointed Governor of Nova Scotia and held office until 1749. Annapolis Royal was the capital of the Province from 1720-49. Among military officers here in 1726 was one, Ensign Eramus James Philipps, a nephew of the Governor. In 1730 he was made a member of the First Council of Nova Scotia established here. As a member of a commission to settle boundaries between the Province of Massachusetts Bay and the Colony of Rhode Island, he was in Boston from August 1737 to June 1738. On November 14th, 1737, in the First Lodge in Boston, he was made a Mason. On returning to Annapolis Royal, Major Philipps took with him a delegation from Henry Price to form a lodge at Annapolis Royal and he was designated as the first Worshipful Master. The lodge established in 1738 was the first lodge of Masons in what is now Canada.

Later he became the first Provincial Grand Master of Masons in Nova Scotia. Philipps is buried in St. Paul's Church cemetery, Halifax. In 1938, the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, with the Grand Master and members of this Grand Lodge present, presented and dedicated a Masonic ashlar at his grave as part of the Bicentary observances of that year, and as a tribute to him who brought Freemasonry to Nova Scotia.

Thus have I briefly rehearsed the story of the historical background Masonic and otherwise, of the place wherein we meet for this annual communication.

LODGE NOTICES

What a wide variety of lodge notices there are in use, both as to colour, size, shape and information supplied. If there is unity in diversity we have it! One thing in relation to so many particularly appealed to me. There was the reference to church. "Go to Church regularly." "Good Masons attend Church" are like some of the references. Our ancient brethren laboured six days and used the seventh to contemplate the glorious work of creation and adore their great Creator. No Mason is fulfiilling his rightful duty who makes Masonry his religion to the exclusion of the religion of his fathers in the Church of his choice. True Masons are in the Church, working for it, praying in it, caring for it, loving and living it. I heartily commend all lodges which have a reference to the Church on their notices.

REGALIA AND SUPPLIES COMMITTEE

For the past couple of years or so, our Grand Lodge office has given helpful unofficial leadership in securing lodge supplies on application. The success of the venture justified our setting up a committee to develop such service for the lodges. Headed by M.W.Bro.M.R. Chappell, P.G.M., the committee has studied the situation carefully and believes the principle of having a supplies department is worthy of your approval. In the past year nearly $2,000 profit have been made for Masonic purposes The necessary legislation to make the committee and the department a permanent institution will be before you. A real saving to the members of the Craft can be effected if we adopt regulations respecting regalia as are presently in effect in the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario. Quantity production should surely mean lower production costs, with resultant lower purchase price by the members of the Craft.

JEWELS

During the year an enquiry was received from a lodge respecting a seventy-year jewel. This enquiry developed in me a study of the question of jewels. Out of it I gave approval for a sixty-year jewel and one for seventy years as well. The sixty-year jewel has an extra bar added to the present fifty-year jewel with the figure sixty pendant in place of fifty. The seventy-year jewel has three bars in all and the figure seventy pendant.

Many of the brethren have asked me about the possibility of establishing a twenty-five year jewel for distribution to all members of the Craft of a quarter of a century membership. With that suggestion I am unreservedly in agreement, and strongly recommend its approval by Grand Lodge. The jewel, whilst authorized by Grand Lodge, could be left to the subordinate lodges to dispense. That is to say, instead of its being any expense to Grand Lodge, individual Craft members could be presented with one by their lodge or they could purchase one from the lodge secretary.

While on the subject, I would like to see all Past Masters in possession of and wearing at all meetings, their Past Master's apron and jewel. I would recommend that districts give consideration to providing the regalia and jewel to their past District Deputy Grand Masters. They have done a lot of work and it has cost them real money in performing their duties as the personal representatives of the Grand Master in each District. I further recommend that all past Grand Lodge officers possess and wear the appropriate regalia and jewel of their rank. If

Masonry is worth doing at all, it is worth doing well. It might not be out of place here to urge the brethren to address past and present Grand Lodge officers by the correct title of their rank, whether Right Worshipful Brother, Very Worshipful Brother or Worshipful Brother, as the case may be. The ruling Grand Master, as well as those of past rank, are always addressed, Most Worshipful Brother. Careless in the matter of attention to such courtesies undermines dignity and lowers prestige and respect for services rendered. Let us maintain the highest standard of efficiency always.

Scotia Lodge No. 12 wrote that on March 20th they were having a Past Masters' Night and had nine candidates for a degree. They asked for a ruling on two questions.

(1) Can the nine candidates be obligated at one time by the Past Master acting as W.M., by enlarging the altar so that all could kneel around it?

Ruled No, they must be taken three at a time. The amount of time required for the obligation is not long enough to warrant any deviation from established procedure,—not long enough to prove too tiring for the one or ones administering it.

(2) Can Lodge be opened on Sunday, 19th, and part of the degree conferred then?

Ruled—No, this should not be done. The situation does not warrant it.

OHIO, Grand Master, 1950

We are assembled in this two-day meeting to counsel together for the good of the Craft. We will review briefly what has been accomplished in the past, take inventory of the present, and visualize and plan for the future. The Annual Proceedings of our Grand Lodge from A.D. 1808 to the present time are replete with the thrilling stories of Masonic leadership, firmly establishing this Fraternity on the high plane on which we find it today. The task of our forebearers has not been an easy one, and so it is that today we find certain events taking place in the world of which we must take cognizance, in the hope that something can be done to remedy the situation. There are forces at work in this country and throughout the world which are inimical to the church, to this Fraternity, and to the American way of life. Selfishness, arrogance, greed, intolerance of the rights of others, all should be rejected for the common good. There should be no desire for personal aggrandizement. Lust for power and authority should never be known among us. Great inroads have been made by evil forces into our national life. America should awaken before it is too late, and then find that there are forces maneuvering themselves into positions where only a few would control the activities of thousands —yes, millions: those millions either willing to be led or will have, by trickery, been led into obeying the dictates of others. Freedom for the individual will not long be tolerated in this country if these forces can but gain control. The situation demands strong measures. Eternal vigilance on the part of each and every one of us, and every loyal and patriotic American, is necessary in times like the present.

OKLAHOMA, Grand Master, 1950

I have tried in every way to "spread the cement of brotherly love and affection," and thus bring about a closer bond of mutual understanding and closer co-operation among the Lodges, as well as between the Constituent Lodges and the Grand Lodge.

I have made a sincere effort to point out in each and every instance the importance of the teachings and principles of Freemasonry and the very great need for the advancement and promotion of our spiritual, moral, civic and fraternal philosophies.

In the principles of Freemasonry there is stored a vast power for good, which is greater, by far, than the power of atomic energy. The power of Freemasonry could, by a concentrated and united effort on the part of Master Masons, be used to bring order and light to a world whose present state of darkness and chaos is comparable only to that which existed at the time when our beloved God first said, "Let there be Light."

By using its great power for good, Freemasonry can help solve the great problems of our trouble-torn world. By embracing the three virtues of Faith, Hope and Charity and by promoting the principles of the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of man, each one of us, as a Master Mason, can make a most valuable contribution to the general and noble work of making this world of ours a fit and abiding place for that "house not made with hands, eternal in the Heavens."

OREGON, Grand Master, 1950

As we entered upon this year's endeavors I spoke of our hopes and aspirations being embellished by the added inspirations gained from our present labors. Now that the curtain is all but drawn and history once again takes over the recorded accomplishments of the year may we feel that our efforts have been earnestly, unselfishly and judiciously expended. If we have enriched Masonry and bettered mankind by our labors, then our reward lies in the satisfaction of a work well done. By our zeal we will have wrought well, for those compensations earned through tireless energy embossed with mutual affection will stand as criterions for coming generations.

Masonry, my Brethren, has no bounds, it recognizes no minorities, for its usefulness is universal. We have therefore a great share individually in the wealth of this year's progress and the co-operation, the counsel and the wisdom which each of you have so graciously and kindly given me in my feeble attempt to steer our shipe of state, is genuinely reciprocative of my grateful thanks.

Let us now in full seriousness, conscious of the manifold blessings that have been ours and likewise cognizant of those human traits of misjudgment, review our Masonic labors for this year, and with grateful appreciation of His guidance, bow in recognition of errors as we would praise our fine doings.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, Deputy, Grand Master, 1949

When one gives some thought to the condition of the craft in our jurisdiction there are many angles of approach, in fact there are so many time will not permit discussion of but a small number.

Our thoughts would turn to the activity of the Lodge in the conferring of degrees. Definitely every Lodge should give more time and attention to the creating of an active interest in Free Masonry in every candidate upon whom they confer the degrees and particularly so immediately after he has been raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason. At no time would he be more susceptible and more eager to study the philosphy, the symbolism and the historic background of our institution. Ways and means should be made available whereby his craving for more light may be satisfied. This also should be a definite part in any program of the Worshipful Master. A second approach, which to my mind is not so healthy may be found in the social activities or perhaps more correctly stated the lack of social activities in the Lodges; the planning and carrying through of a social program in every Lodge should be a very important feature in the term of every Worshipful Master. Many members in fact more than a majority are not ritualistically minded, yet they prize their Masonic membership very highly. They may seldom attend Lodge yet they gladly pay their dues and desire that their Lodge shall be alive and a going organization. No doubt many of this group might become interested in helping promote such a program to the benefit of the Lodge as well as themselves.

We meet here today in peace and harmony, although the world around us is haunted with many shadows. The statesmen of the great Democracies still struggle to achieve the peace for which we fought, and so many died. The old spectres of mistrust and suspicion stalk again, and the great nations which accomplished so much when united against the forces of evil, drift steadily apart as they persue their ideologies.

We are living in confusing and troubled times, and the sword of Damocles still hangs over countless millions of God's children. These are days which challenge us to stand fast holding firm and high the torch of our beloved institution Economic tension, bizarre programmes, and countless strange doctrines, tire the souls of men and accomplish little. Many plans and theories are advanced for the salvation of the world, but due to the selfishness of man and his disregard of the true principal of Christian Democracy they fail, and falling by the wayside perish.

To live in such times presents to us as Masons with a most simple and yet the most profound of all possible challenges—a challenge to be Masons, in thought, word and deed, carrying into every situation and every relationship the ideals and the spirit for which the Order stands. We must be men of courage and good cheer, pressing steadfastly forward and secure in the knowledge that by true faith and strict adherence to the fundamental principals of our Freemasonry it will be our privilege to pass through the dark and greet the morning of happier and better days.

Likewise we must be men of broad and generous sympathies, tolerant in all things, overlooking the age old barriers of race, class and creed, in our endeavor to unite all men in the brotherhood of God.

We must be men of Faith in life, faith in the future, faith in God, ever ready and willing to go forth into the unknown, secure in the knowledge that He will be ever present with us in all our laudable undertakings. Knowing not the day nor the hour when our call to service will come, let us firmly resolve to be prepared in all things so that like Isaiah of old we may answer, "Here am I; send me."

These are days when destiny meets us at every turn, days in which men of understanding walk with measured tread not knowing what any tomorrow will unfold As we step forth to meet the challenge of our time Let us put on the whole armour of God—Truth, Righteousness, Peace, Faith, Salvation, and the sword of the Spirit which is the word of God—the great imperishible, everlasting and all sufficient Light of Masonry in which the world will find that peace which of itself it cannot achieve.

The practice of the Golden rule by all men everywhere, together with a sincere reliance upon the God of mankind will surely hasten the day of a lasting and abiding Peace.

May God speed the day when through our lives, and the lives of man everywhere, we come to a closer realization of true values of life which are spiritual and not material things. In all sincerity and humility let us pray for these days when His will shall be done on earth as it is in Heaven.

Our Order can only flourish in a peaceful atmosphere, although it has withstood the ravages of time and warfare. Let us seek Peace, but not at the loss of honour. Likewise let us be vigilant in ferreting out and exposing that insidious pestilance which by its own admission seeks the enslavement of all mankind under the banner of Communism. One can perhaps understand the ignorance of certain peoples towards our way of life and standards of liberty, but it is incomprehensible that those who enjoy such blessings should even think of, let alone work for, the destruction of the great benefits we enjoy, and willingly plunge us into chaos, or a living death under the Hammer and Sickle. The road which we travel towards light and truth, the ultimate objectives of all Masonic labour can never be accepted by the enemies of Democracy. Masonry is founded upon peace and goodwill toward man, and the great teachings of the Fraternity come from the fountain of all Knowledge—all are truth, and truth being right must prevail. Our lessons are based on the Brotherhood of all mankind under the Fatherhood of God.

It is my personal belief that not until such time as the Grace of God shall have entered into your heart and mine, and the hearts of all men everywhere, shall we know real peace, a peace that shall pass all understanding.

QUEBEC, Grand Master, 1949

KEEP YOUR FREEDOM

The alternatives we face are freedom or non-freedom. We can have mankind dedicated to the best cultural values; upholding human dignity; assuring judical impartiality and preferring the persuasion of tolerance to the compulsion of force. Or we can have men moulded and shaped by the dictates of a supreme leader or gang.

However soft the language may be we can have no faith whatever in the honesty of persons professing belief in human rights and at the same time subscribing to the doctrine of dictatorship, revolution and assassination.

In the Volume of the Sacred Law God has shown us the sacredness and dignity of the individual. Man was created in His image, in each of us there is that spark of the Divine which makes us immortal beings. Never trade that heritage for one of bondage or we shall suffer as Esau did who lost his birthright to a deceiving brother.

Guard well your portals and a Fraternity which stands for freedom.

The Committee appointed by Most Worshipful Brother Boyd on the Grand Secretary's office has done a splendid piece of work. Our next step should be to increase the personnel and relieve the Grand Secretary of some of the mechanics of the office.

We note the increased practice of holding a "Floor Members Night." This is to be highly commended as a means of holding new members.

Now that the number of candidiates is on the decline encourage quiz periods. Young members are thirsty for knowledge.

Make your District Meetings as educational as possible and a clearing house for District problems. Invite well informed brethren to present papers on practical questions.

Inter-lodge and inter-jurisdictional visits are to be encouraged.

District Deputy Grand Masters should be thoroughly conversant with the Constitution and if in doubt consult the Grand Secretary.

With the increased number of lodges in Montreal at least one new District should be created. This will come before you for consideration at a subsequent meeting.

In conclusion I wish to express my sincere thanks to all those who have given me such splendid support. Especially do I thank the Deputy Grand Master who has been of such great assistance and who has represented me on many occasions.

Brethren let us raise our eyes and our ideals to that bright Morning Star whose shining brings peace and tranquility to the faithful of the human race.

May the Great Architect be with and bless you in the days that lie ahead.

FUNERAL RITUAL

In all our Masonic life I doubt if there is any place where we come under closer scrutiny than at funerals. Aside from the relatives and friends of the deceased brother there are often present some who do not look upon us with favour and many who are non Masons.

We have a very beautiful service, dignified, reverent and full of comfort to the bereaved. I have heard it beautifully rendered and I have heard it literally massacred in dignity, pronunciation and reverence. Thank goodness our lodges are not often called upon for this service, but we should be ready.

I strongly recommend that in every lodge a team should be chosen from the very best available material for all the spoken parts, and also for the office of Director of Ceremonies.

In the Funeral Ritual Masonry reaches out the hand of comfort and hope to those left behind and I have known many young men whose thoughts have been turned to the Fraternity by the beauty of this service.

QUEENSLAND, Grand Master, 1949

At present in our Jurisdiction we rejoice to know that we are riding on the crest of a wave of Masonic prosperity, and everywhere we hear reports of material gains. We hear it said many times when visiting Lodges, "We are kept busy with degree work, we have no time for study and other phases of the work." I pray that we are not so busy taking in members that we do not have time to make them Masons. There is a great deal of difference. It is the duty of all our Lodges to instil into new members the Masonic way of life, and to inspire them to search the teachings of our Order so that they may become Masons in the true sense and not merely members of our Lodges. We have experienced in recent years a net gain in membership and in physical assets that has been remarkable. To these tangible gains have been added those great intangibles that are inevitably the by-products of such achievements. Growing, successful Lodges are happier Lodges; their Officers are inspired to better work; their members are more interested, and their influence in the community is greater.

In all these things we rejoice, but at the same time it is our duty and privilege as rulers in the Craft to see to it that these additions to the Masonic structure are built into it soundly and firmly so that no weakness will be exposed should adverse winds blow.

The instruction of new members is a great responsibility. The degrees should be conferred in such a manner as to impress these postulants with their dignity, their beauty. their philosophy and their power to enrich the lives of men. A new member should find in the Lodge a sympathetic, cordial atmosphere in which he is welcomed with a degree of personal solicitude that satisfies the craving of his soul for friendly, understanding Brotherhood.

There is no fault or flaw in Masonry; if fault there be, it is in Masons themselves.

We are all human, and to err is human; therefore, some there are who are unable to live up to the high ideals of the Craft, upon whom its tenets and its teachings do not obtain a firm hold, yet Masonry made them better men. The Order acts as a firm anchorage to many who are faced with difficulties and dangers. It helps them to realize that brotherly love between men is a thing of greater moment than creed or politics, and that loyalty is the greatest point of friendship.

We give thanks to God for our Masonic history. It has enriched our lives, as I have been saying frequently of late in terms of friendship. What delightful friendships have been born, and what noble spirits have crowded into our lives because of our Fraternity!

If there were to be taken out of our lives all those fine friendships that have come to us through Masonry, how much poorer we should be, for essentially Masonry is not so much a ceremony to be performed as a way of living together. It is not a ritual, but an act of friendship. It begins with the individual, but ends with society. It is not a Morro Castle that shrieks with the cry, "Every man for himself!" but the house of a Father, where we live together in comradeship for the common good.

We give thanks to God for Masonry because it has enriched the world with a fine culture. Our Fraternity in history and in tradition runs back to those who erected the ancient temples of an ancient world, carved with an indescribable beauty, with a ceiling overlaid with plinths of gold, with its cornices studded with Assyrian rosettes. We trace back our heritage to those builders of the Pyramids and the Necropolis of Sakara, standing like silent sentinels on the edge of the desert, while the light of a pale moon plays over them with a yellow glow.

We give thanks to God for those great men who laid the foundations of Free and Accepted Masonry. They worked and lived with a sensitiveness to spiritual values, and so belief in God is the foundation of our Order. Because of the strength of the foundation, we are raising a great superstructure. Without that foundation, even nations and civilizations have crumbled and disappeared.

Think for a moment of the civilizations that have dwindled into oblivion. They had glorious and gorgeous superstructures, but they lacked foundation. Greece said, "See my culture," but character was neglected. Rome said, "See my power," but it lacked good-will. Babylon said, "See my trade," but there was no law of love among them. Phoenica said, "See my ships," but they lacked a worthy port of call. And so on down to the modern nations, with which you are familiar, many of which have likewise disappeared because of the lack of that foundation.

The permanent and abiding philosophy by which alone a civilization, a nation or an organization such as ours can come to immortality is one that turns the pages of the book all the way back to that ageless sentence, "In the beginning, God."

We join in thanksgiving for the imperishable memories of the past and, invoking the aid of the G.A.O.T.U., we accept the challenge of the future.

SASKATCHEWAN, Committee on the Condition of Masonry, 1950

TWO YEAR TERM FOR D.D.G.M.'s

From time to time attempts have been made in this Grand Lodge to modify the conditions under which District Deputies of the Grand Master are selected. It is unnecessary at this time to review those proposals which are contained in the Proceedings. We do, however, wish to suggest and recommend for the consideration of the brethren who this year and in future years take part in the selection of D.D.G.M.'s that they consider carefully the desireability of the re-selecting of one who has already served the office with success, if he can be persuaded to serve again. (Such service need not occur in consecutive years.) We are of the opinion that no man, no matter how able, can make as great a contribution to Freemasonry by one year of office as he could if given a second chance. Some, of course, may not be able to spare the time to give a second year and others may not in the opinion of their brethren merit a renewal of their favour. We do, however, strongly recommend this procedure where it is probable that in so doing the interests of Freemasonry would be advanced. The selection of a brother to the position of D.D.G.M. is an honour greatly to be appreciated, but the only sufficient reason for choosing a brother for such appointment is the good of our Fraternity and not merely the advancement of any particular person to a place of distinction.

SCOTLAND, Grand Committee, 1950

Brother W. Edward King conveyed hearty greetings from Chile and Peru and in particular from Brother Donald C. Thurmer, District Superintendent. He spoke particularly about the Lodge Roof of the World, Cerro de Pasco, No. 1094, which is some 12,000 feet above sea level. In this very remote part of the world he explained that the Masonic Lodge was for many years the only spiritual contact which the Brethren had.

GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA

Grand Secretary read a letter from the Grand Secretary of Manitoba expressing the thanks of the Brethren for the offer of a grant of £1000 authorized by the Grand Lodge of Scotland on 3rd August, 1950, for the purpose of relief following the disastrous flooding in the City of Winnipeg.

DISTRICT OF PALESTINE

The Committee had under consideration the application of the four Lodges under the Scottish Constitution in Israel to form a Sovereign Grand Lodge of Israel and following upon correspondence received from the United Grand Lodge of England and Grand Lodge of Ireland, the Committee recommends that a joint conference be held with representatives from the Grand Lodges of England, Ireland, and Scotland at a very early date.

Report approved.

SOUTH CAROLINA, Grand Master, 1950

OCCASIONAL LODGE

On July 28th I convened an Occasional Lodge for the purpose of making Major General George H. Decker, Comanding General, at Fort Jackson, a Mason at Sight. General Decker by his enthusiastic and consistent support was largely instrumental in the establishment of the Masonic Lodge at Fort Jackson. He provided every facility that he possibly could for the convenience and comfort of this Masonic body. Not only that but General Decker is an outstanding officer and soldier who has spent most of his life in the service of his country. He is an efficient leader, and my action in making him a Mason, brought joy to those Masons serving under his command. General Decker often expressed his desire to become a Mason and I felt after due inquiry, that he was worthy of that honour.

SOUTH DAKOTA, Grand Master, 1950

As we assemble for this important purpose, and are about to enter into the deliberations that lie ahead, let us look to our Heavenly Father for Divine Guidance in all our doings. Let us give thanks to Him for the great priviledge that is ours—a privilege that is denied to many people of the world today—the right of free assembly and the coming together as Freemasons. Let us give thanks for this great land of ours, and for the many blessings that He has so generously bestowed upon us.

An annual meeting is a time for stock taking—a time for recording gains and losses in the ledgers of history. Only by clearly understanding the events that have transpired can we plan effectively for the tasks that lie ahead. I urge that we be ever conscious of the record established during the nearly four score years of our existence as a Grand Lodge; to again review the Masonic Principles upon which our Order was founded; to grasp the spirit of its founders, their rich, purposeful, and creative lives which is indeed a challenge to go forward to the ultimate goal of a full realization of our basic principles of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth.

I am most thankful that I stand before you today filled with a greater sense of humility than that of a year ago when I assumed this high station; that having occupied this office has given me a greater sense of the great Mission of Freemasonry.

The strength of a Nation or a people can only be measured by the unity that exists among them. The moral laws and obligations between Nations are purely the reflection of the moral law and practice of the individual.

Masonry was founded with the thought and purpose of maintaining bonds and moral obligations, understanding and goodwill, and can only endure as long as this philosophy is put into practice in a unified effort. Let us draw deeply upon the moral strength of Masonry. Let us live and speak the truth as we see it. Let our Masonic philosophies and teachings mean more to us than mere lip service to be given only in a Lodge room. Carry it outside the Lodge room and put it into practice in our dealings with our fellowmen.

As Masons we think in terms of a forward movement toward the future, seemingly slow and at times faltering, but when characterized by a spirit of harmony and understanding, it will weld us into a force comprised of the finest American and world leadership. Our challenge today as Masons and Americans is to set aside any discord that exists among us. We can no longer afford to permit divisions within our number, but our effort must be to close them. Remove from our minds and thoughts petty suspicion, distrust, or prejudice, and hold high the banner that was given us.

I close by quoting Isaiah 49:22, " . . . and I will set up mine ensign to the peoples."

TASMANIA, Report of Grand Inspector of Lodges 1950,

The regulation regarding the wearing of a white bow with the dinner jacket is not favourably received by the Brethren, and it is honoured in the breach rather than in the observance. I think the Board might very well consider the advisability of making the wearing of a black or white bow optional.

Regarding the matter of the apron being worn outside the jacket when a dinner jacket or ordinary suit is worn, this is gradually finding favour with the Brethren, and I have no doubt will, as time goes by, become the generally accepted practice.

In conclusion, may I state that it has been a very great pleasure for me to occupy the position of Grand Inspector of Lodges, and I desire to express to the Masters and Brethren of Lodges in the Division, my sincere thanks for the very happy and cordial welcome that was extended to me on all occasions.

GENERAL BUSINESS

MATTERS OF GENERAL INTEREST DISCUSSED

R.W. Bro. Furmage referred to the Report of the Grand Inspector of Lodges, Southern District, in which reference was made to the wearing of the white bow with dinner suits.

He asked for an expression of opinion on the matter. Some spoke against the wearing of the white bow and others spoke in favour.

M.W. Bro. Biggins stated that, as this Grand Lodge had agreed with all the other Grand Lodges of Australasia, that correct Masonic dress was with the white bow with both dinner jackets and full evening dress, he thought there should be no argument about it, and that every one should be wearing the white bow. The Australasian Conferences had laid this down on several occasions, and Lodges in this State had been informed several times that the white, and not the black bow is correct for Masonic Purposes.

TENNESSEE. Grand Master. 1950

My hope and my prayer this morning is that the representatives, members and visitors at this Grand Lodge Session, may think seriously, meditate earnestly and pray humbly and contritely that we may prove ourselves worthy of the privileges and blessings that we enjoy as Americans and as Freemasons. We are living in the most chaotic times that any generation has ever experienced. Our freedom and liberty is in jeopardy, and yet many of our people are indifferent and even many of our own members are complacent. I reiterate my statement from this platform a year ago, that we, like Nero, are fiddling while Rome is burning. Our future freedom depends upon the choices, we, as a nation make. Freedom is a matter of morals no matter how much we may rebel against the idea. Freedom rests squarely upon the spiritual qualities of honesty, truthfulness, generosity, fair-play and integrity, but many of our people want to be free from the restraints which righteousness imposes upon them, just as the Great Light warns, "When ye were the servants of sin, ye were free from righteousness." People have the right to be wicked if they choose, but let us not deceive ourselves that we will long remain free. The greatest threat to our way of life comes not from without but from the lowering of our own moral standards. General Bradley has said, which I feel is well worth quoting here, that "With the monstrous weapons man already has, humanity is in danger of being trapped in this world by its moral adolescents. Our knowledge of science has clearly outstripped our capacity to control it. We have many men of science; too few men of God. Ours is a world of nuclear giants and ethical infants. We know more about war, than about peace, more about killing, than we know about living. We have grasped the mystery of the atom, and have rejected the Sermon on the Mount. This is our twentieth century's claim to distinction and progress." Doesn't such a warning convince us that we can no longer take freedom for granted? Wouldn't we do well to refresh our memories of what it cost our forebears? And wouldn't it be well for us to determine what life in America would be without it, especially when to millions the right of free asembly is denied? We, as Americans and Freemasons, should get on our knees this morning, and every other morning for that matter, and thank God for our heritage, and for the faith, courage, sacrifice and fidelity of our forebears and for the blessings of Divine Providence.

Numerically, Masonry in Tennessee has reached an all time high with a membership as of the close of the Masonic year of 68,296, a net gain of 3,421 during the year, which is indeed very gratifying.

It has been my pleasure during the year to witness some wonderful exemplifications of the ritualistic work. I have had the high privilege of observing not only good ritualistic work, but I have witnessed some degrees, when it seemed that the men conferring the work had had a new inspiration from the Supreme Grand Master, which gives one an exalted feeling of the mission of Masonry as an instrumentality of God for the propagation of the philosophy of the Brotherhood of man. Skilled ritualism is much to be desired, but as important even as it is, applied knowledge of the science of Masonry in the hearts and lives of our members is even more important.

TEXAS, Grand Master, 1949

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MASONIC EDUCATION AND SERVICE

W. Brother John McKee, a member of the Committee on Masonic Education and Service, read the following report of that committee, relating to Section 3 of the Grand Master's address, as shown on page 41 thereof, which said report was, on Brother McKee's motion, duly seconded, adopted by the M.W. Grand Lodge:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Texas,
Brethren:

That part of the Grand Master's report on page 41 of his Address to the Grand Lodge and referring to Section 3 under the heading of Decisions, we beg to report that the Committee on Jurisprudence to whom the Grand Master's Address was referred, did in turn re-refer Section 3 as contained on page 41 to this committee.

Referring to the application adopted by this Grand Lodge last year and in connection with requiring each applicant to attach to his application a birth certificate or proof of birth, the Grand Master has held that the following papers would be acceptable in lieu of birth certificates required to be attached to petitions for the Mysteries of Freemasonry:

> "1. Army Discharge. 2. Navy Discharge. 3. Life Insurance Policies. 4. Certificate issued by the U.S. Census Bureau. 5. Affidavit from the Family Bible."

This committee was of the opinion last year in its report that a Birth Certificate or Proof of Birth should be attached to the petitions, which recommendation and report was adopted by this Grand Lodge.

This committee is recommending to the Grand Lodge in its report that Proof of Birth be stricken from the application and that the applicant be required to attach to his application his Birth Certificate or certified or photostatic copy of such Birth Certificate, which will be held by the Lodge as a permanent record with the application.

The only one of the five mentioned by the Grand Master that is accepted by the courts of this state, is the Family Bible; the other four are not and have not been accepted by the courts of this state. If the petitioner can furnish a Bible record of his birth, the county clerk of each county is authorized, based on the Biblical record, to issue such applicant his Birth Certificate.

It might be interesting to you to learn that during the year 1949 more than six thousand applications have been checked. It has been found that more information is received from an applicant's birth certificate than any other record or information. By reason of the requirement of each applicant for a Birth Certificate, many of such applicants who are enemies of Freemasonry or fellow travelers with the subversive element and those who are unfit to become members of the Fraternity have been denied that privilege by reason of having his Birth Certificate attached to his petition. We are further advised that forty applicants for the degrees would have been stopped if such applicants had not had in their possession and attached to their applications their Birth Certificates.

In view of the above, we submit the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, That that part of the Grand Master's Decisions above quoted be not adopted by this Grand Lodge.

UTAH, Grand Master, 1950

A Past Grand Master has requested that I rule whether a Worshipful Master of other qualified officer must wear a hat while presiding over a Lodge in this jurisdiction. It is my opinion that such a presiding officer should be covered, although he may have occasion to remove his hat at appropriate times during a meeting, such as in the public funeral service or in the course of a program. This ruling is not based on any prescription in the Utah Grand Lodge Code but rather on the instructions to each Worshipful Master at the time of his installation when he is admonished to uphold our ancient landmarks and is covered "with that distinction which in this lodge it alone your privilege to wear." I might add that a silk hat is most appropriate for such purpose and that unless the Worshipful Master prefers to purchase such a hat the Lodge should provide it.

It should not be necessary to mention the rule of dress for officers and members participating in a Masonic

Funeral. On these important occasions we should all attend as Masons in white shirt, dark suit, tie and shoes, as no discordant clothing should mar these vital opportunities to discharge our obligations to departed Brethren with satisfaction to their families and with credit to the Fraternity before the world.

VICTORIA, Grand Inspector of Workings, 1949

To many thoughtful Freemasons this rapid progress in membership is viewed with a good deal of anxiety, it being felt that it has been far too easy to gain admission to our organization, and a number of proposers and seconders of candidates have not altogether fulfilled their duty to the Craft by introducing men not suitable for Freemasonry. Consequently, our influence for good in the community is not as strong as it should be.

Another matter causing a good deal of concern and worry is the attendance of members at regular meetings. Naturally the newer Lodges are not experiencing the same difficulty, for the enthusiasm is high, and attendances satisfactory. The majority of older Lodges, however, find it almost impossible to obtain even fair representation, and, although every endeavour and much thought has been given to this important matter, very little improvement has been shown.

The action of the Most Worshipful Grand Master in bringing before the Lodges the matter of evening dress, the conduct of Worshipful Brethren in the East at Lodge meetings, and the necessity of due decorum at the South, has been hailed with delight by the right thinking members. Improvement has been shown already, although from recent reports from Assistant Inspectors many complaints are still being made regarding these matters.

It is known that many Brethren having the suitable attire due not bother to dress as requested, and many brown and grey suits are in evidence, also bright and coloured ties are worn with dark suits.

A great deal of talking still done by Worshipful Masters and Past Masters sitting on the Dias, and in some cases bags of sweets handed around during the ceremonies—also many doubtful jokes heard at the South. It is sincerely hoped that the wishes of the M.W. Grand Master will be faithfully carried out in all Lodges.

There are a few matters which I think it is advisable to bring before Lodges, and are as follows:—

The vouching of visitors again seems to be a little lax in some Lodges.

It must be remembered that no visitor can be admitted unless individually vouched for by a member sitting in open Lodge, and in the case of a visitor not being so vouched for, that satisfactory evidence be obtained before admitting.

It has been noticeable for some time that on many occasions when W. Masters are being escorted to the East for introduction, they begin to remove the glove from the right hand. This is quite unnecessary, and both gloves should remain on the hands.

VICTORIA. Grand Master. 1949

Brethren, I believe in these modern times, when landmarks of thought and economic values are changing, we find a great challenge to every Freemason. The challenge is that we stay on the track, remain true to the ideals which have guided our Craft right down through the centuries, and not be impatient to throw overboard all those plans which for so long have been useful on the trestle board of life. We know that: "As our dreams are, so are we. We shape in thought what soon we shape in deed, and what we daily hold within, we grow to be."

Brethren, let us for a moment look outside Freemasonry and see what we find. I believe you will agree with me that the outlook is by no means reassuring We see on every hand danger and suspicion, ruthlessness and selfishness, and a total disregard for the rights of other men. Can any one of us view the world today, and be satisfied that we shall hand down to our children that great heritage of liberty, freedom and Godliness which our fathers handed down to us?

We know, if we are not blind, that there are forces today, and strongly armed forces, whose only aim is to bring all men under their tyrranous domination. These people demand that we should sacrifice our liberty of worship, our freedom and our liberty. For what? These freedoms are too precious to surrender lightly. Our forefathers for centuries fought for those liberties. Let us resolve here and now that we shall do everything possible to preserve them.

Everywhere, Brethren, where these so-called champions of liberty have attained supreme control, liberty itself disappears immediately. Freemasonry, of course, is quickly banned, and in due course religion disappears.

Brethren, for quite some time I have been thinking as to the basic reasons why these things in this world of ours should be, and every time I have thought of them I come, Brethren, to the one conclusion: That men everywhere have drifted away from the faith of their fathers.

I remember, Brethren, going into my Lodge for the first time at my Initiation, and thereby proclaiming my belief in God and my trust in Him. I believe that the time has arrived when all men, and certainly all Freemasons, should reaffirm that belief, and reassert their faith in the Great Architect of the Universe. I believe also, Brethren, that unless we have that belief, and unless we have that faith, not one of us should be here in this Grand Lodge tonight. I, as Grand Master on the occasion of this Diamond Jubilee of the Grand Lodge of Victoria, reaffirm my belief in Almighty God, and reassert my faith in the Great Architect of the Universe. Will you, Brethren join me in that reaffirmation? If so, Brethren, will you please rise with me, and, with the sign of Fidelity, reassert those things we once believed, following which will you join in the first verse of "Guide Us, Oh, Thou Great Jehovah," as a prayer?

VIRGINIA. Grand Master. 1950

We should be thankful that God willed that we should live in such challenging times. We are in the midst of a social and political revolution which may be appraised by future historians as another renaissance.

We are observing many of the ancient landmarks of life crashing and compromised. We are accepting dogmatically in practice that which a quarter century ago was considered radical theory.

Trends in government as radical as the changeover from monarchy to democracy; socially as violent as the abolition of human slavery; and in religion as vicious as those which stirred the souls of Luther, Wesley and Zwingli to action, find many of our contemporaries utterly confused even to the point of being hopeless of the future.

Any notion of a return to the conservatism of a quarter century ago seems but wishful thinking. To maintain an equilibrum between extremes, seems to be the logical course.

Freemasonry, the great paradox, unchanging in its fundamentals and yet so flexible in its approach that it has helped meet the needs of changing generations, will not fail posterity during this interesting period of the world's history.

The same fraternity which aided in the development of the personalities and philosophies of Washington, Blair, Marshall, Revere, Franklin, Hancock, Warren and Lafayette, and others of our earlier period, and under whose banners have been reared leaders in the interim, will offer the same facilities to the present and future.

In truth, we do not always understand all that is happening about us, but we believe that the Grand Architect of the Universe, upon whose Trestle Board has always been drawn the designs which have brought order out of chaos, even in the beginning, will continue to direct the destinies of men into the channels of progression which are agreeable to his divine plan.

Though we have always inspired our affiliates to the practice of exemplary citizenship, even to the point of the sacrifice of their own lives for the cause of freedom, our mission is not to be found in entering the field of partisan politics; though we admonish the practice of the golden rule in all our relationships, as a group we have refrained from sitting in judgment upon the varying economies and social schemes under which we have lived; and though we support a deocentered philosophy of life, offering a broad and tolerant concept of God, we cannot best serve as a proponent of any particular sect. The great Mission of Freemasonry is in the development of human character, believing unquestionably in the Fatherhood of God, and practicing without reservation the brotherhood of men. Our fraternal associations, our philosophical writings and utterances and our broad humanitarian pursuits are but evidences thereof.

The world needs such an organization as ours more in this day than in any other, and it would appear that those of us who are the leaders should see to it that only moral men with courage, character and a sense of responsibility should be admitted into our sanctuaries, and no longer should we provide a haven for those seeking shallow entertainment, or to satisfy a personal vanity to belong to something.

We should not only revert to the high selectivity of former years, but also by meticulously planned educational programs, endeavor to permeate the beings of our initiates with an understanding of our basic philosophy, challenging their lives with the great opportunity to transmit to posterity, the blessings which have been willed us by our noble fraternal ancestry.

Believing that Freemasonry has such a mission in these stirring times, with my whole heart, I have tried to weld our own particular segment of your great institution into a militant unit, and wherever possible to invite our Sister Jurisdictions to join us in this cause.

Now is not the time for disunity locally, nationally, or internationally. If differences we have, let us resolve them now. Quibbling over non-essentials; berating personalities; and provincial thinking but plays into the hands of those who would destroy us as an Association, and the broad, tolerant, freedom loving, fraternal philosophy which we espouse.

Finally:

Brother John Wanamaker, upon the walls of his great establishment had these words inscribed—"Let those who follow me continue to build with the plumb of honor, the level of truth, and the square of integrity, education, courtesy and mutuality."

As I now surrender the trestle board to my successor, and return again to pick up the working tools of Master Mason, it is with a sense of gratitude that I have had the opportunity of sharing the larger burden for this little while; with a sense of regret that I could not have accomplished more, and yet because of this rich experience with a Faith that has been strengthened in the men who make Masonry, in the principles and practices which have inspired Masons among men, and in the God of our Fathers the Grand Architect of the Universe, the central figure in that philosophy to whom I have continued to pray for guidance, and for strength to keep faith with you who entrusted to my life this interesting mission in this challenging period of the world's history.

MEMBERSHIP AND ATTENDANCE

There are a number of worthy men who have been dropped from our rolls by the way of dimits or through the non-payment of dues. I request you to appoint a committee to review the records of your Lodge for the past ten years, and endeavor to bring back into our membership those former members. It has been my happy privilege to help bring back into membership numbers of these men., and I have seen many of them manifest a new appreciation of Masonry. The committee who has this responsibility in charge should be very carefully selected. A personal visit will show these men that your Lodge is interested in them and that you believe in extending a helping hand.

There is no substitute for personal work in building up our attendance and good fellowship at stated and special communications. I urge every Master and Warden to select a least ten names from the roster of his membership with whom he is not personally acquainted, and to make a personal visit to each of them, telling them of the work his Lodge is doing, and urging their attendance. You will enjoy this work, and it will result in much personal satisfaction to you, and I hope a great blessing to your Lodge. In the larger Lodges, this work should be extended to the Deacons and other officers.

POSITION OF DISTRICT DEPUTY

The District Deputy Grand Master is the Grand Master's personal and official representative. The position is one of great dignity and importance. Any brother who is appointed to this position is highly honored. The welfare of the Craft, and the lasting influence of Masonry in his District should be his constant care. If he is active, Masonry in his District prospers. If he is indifferent, the same attitude is reflected in his Lodges. Much of Masonry's success depends on the District Deputy Grand Master.

NEWLY RAISED MASTER MASONS

I request every Worshipful Master to make it his especial duty to provide instruction for the newly raised brother, relative to the business procedure of his Lodge, and to acquaint him with the work being done by our Grand Lodge. I would like to see our new members encouraged to visit other Lodges and to have impressed upon them the importance of maintaining their Masonic relationship wherever they may be.

Numbers of our brethren are losing contact with Masonry when their residences are removed from the jurisdiction of their home Lodges. I hope you will impress upon them the fact that they and their brethren are privileged to attend Masonic Lodges throughout the world.

WASHINGTON. Grand Master. 1950

August 2, 1949. Request from Elliott Bay Lodge, No. 257, to know if it is permissible for one who has petitioned for the degrees to use a hearing device because of its metalic nature.

Answer to refer to Section 1902, Washington Masonic Code, quoting: "would render him incapable of conforming reasonably to what the degree reasonably requires of him," and further stated that it might not be necessary for him to wear the hearing device during the entire time of his initiation and that thus possibly he could still reasonably conform.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Each Grand Master has certain recommendations that he feels he should make to Grand Lodge, and your present Grand Master is no exception.

There is a tendency among many Masons to consider that so-called higher degrees place them beyond the authority of the Symbolic Lodge and the Grand Lodge of which it is a constituent part.

If one reads our Code carefully he will realize that there is no higher authority in Masonry than the Symbolic (Blue) Lodge and the Grand Lodge and it is so stated or perhaps we should say unmistakably inferred in that Code.

Other Grand Jurisdictions have evidently run into this same problem.

The Grand Lodge of Ireland has stated recently very emphatically that it is a Sovereign and Independent Body practicing Freemasonry only within the three Degrees, and only within the limits defined in its Constitution as "pure Ancient Masonry" and that it does not recognize or admit the existence of any superior Masonic authority however styled.

The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania under the heading: Inherent Power and Authority of the Grand Lodge, Section 1, states as follows:

> "The Grand Lodge is the only true and legitimate source of Masonic authority. It is supreme and sovereign. It makes the Law for its constitutents, and the members of the fraternity under its Jurisdiction; but it is governed by no Law other than the Landmarks of Freemasonry. It grants Warrants for Subordinate Lodges, and duly constitutes them. Subordinate Lodges are constituted and work by virtue of the Warrants. The Grand Lodge has the power to enact Laws and Regulations for the Government of the Craft; and to alter and repeal such Laws and Regulations; but it cannot change, alter, or destroy the Ancient Landmarks of Freemasonry. It has the inherent power to investigate and determine all Masonic matters relating to the Craft in general, to particular Lodges, and to individual Brethren, either directly or by its delegated authority, and its authority cannot be called in question." . . .

Therefore, in order that our Code may be very explicit and everyone who reads may thoroughly understand, I recommend that there be added to Section 2 of Article 11, Jurisdiction and Powers of Grand Lodge the following:

> "It does not recognize or admit the existence of any co-ordinate or superior Masonic authority, however styled and it has the inherent power to investigate and determine all Masonic matters relating to the Craft in general, to particular Lodges, and to individual Brethren, either directly

or by its delegated authority, and its authority cannot be called in question."

WESTERN AUSTRALIA, Grand Master, 1950

ADMISSION OF CANDIDATES

There is another matter I want to speak about.

From time to time I have drawn the attention of members of Grand Lodge and, through them, of the Craft generally, to the necessity which exists for careful appraisal of those who offer themselves as candidates for Freemansonry. I think that advice has been acted upon, and we are at present extremely careful as to those who are brought into the Craft.

When a man desires to join the Craft there are certain qualifications required of him; firstly, a belief in God; secondly; a good character; thirdly; a possession of the virtues or morality; and lastly, an excellent reputation amongst his fellowmen. Whilst we demand those things of the candidate, there is, I think, something to be said on other lines.

Most of us understand Freemasonry as a universal science, and the universality of Freemasonry is one of those great principles which have made the Craft as powerful and widespread as it is. Whilst we look to the universal character of Freemasonry that unfolds qualities that should be expected by Freemasons themselves, Freemasonry to be universal requires those who belong to it to possess those primary qualifications I have mentioned. Apart from those it does not recognize either nationality or race, colour or creed. Freemasonry treats every man as a genuine believer in the G.A.O.T.U. who rules and guides us all. It does not believe that men who possess qualifications that will enable them to become Masons shall be barred by reason of the fact they do not happen to be of one colour, one creed, or one nationality.

I have had a very long life in Freemasonry, and have voted on many ballots, but I have never voted with any thought of race barrier or religious barrier in my mind. Neither have I voted against a man because I happen to have some private dislike of the candidate suggested. I may not like in several respects someone who is put up as a candidate for Freemasonry, but subject to the fact that he possesses qualifications we demand of a candidate, we are not entitled to exercise private prejudices and work off private fueds against a man who, in all respects, is just as reputable as anyone of us is, and though we may differ in opinion, the secret of our Masonry, and the secret we seek to permeate in Masonry is tolerance of each other.

There has been a tendency, exhibited fairly recently, to treat nationality, race creed and colour as things that can be settled by individual Freemasons. In other words, there is a tendency to apply to a Masonic lodge, and those who seek entrance to a lodge, those peculiar and narrow principles that are applied to a private club. Freemasonry is not a private club, but exists for the benefit of all good men, and whether they are of our religion or someone else's, whether of our colour or not, if they are worthy men, then their claim to be admitted should be recognized.

WEST VIRGINIA, Grand Master, 1949

May 7, 1949, I visited Hermon Lodge No. 6 at Clarksburg. This was the 135th Anniversary of the lodge. A dinner was served, after which a lodge was opened and a fine program presented. A Fifty Year Service Button was presented to Brother John W. Davis, of New York, who is a member of Hermon Lodge No. 6, by Brother Charles B. Johnson, of that lodge. Brother Davis responded with a fine address. In this connection, when Brother Davis was ambassador to Great Britain, he had the honorary degree of Past Grand Warden of the United Grand Lodge of England conferred upon him, and acquired a beautiful set of regalia. This he presented to Hermon

Lodge No. 6, and is now housed in a suitable case in the Temple at Clarksburg. The speaker for the Anniversary was Dr. Edgar Cordell Powers, Past Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Maryland, who entertained us as only he can. This meeting drew a large attendance and was one of the high lights of my year.

Masonry is flourishing and marching forward in West Virginia. From the reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters and my own observations I have found the lodges busy and in most cases, prospering. So far as I know, all are strictly complying with the rules and regulations of the Grand Lodge.

WISCONSIN, Grand Master, 1950

Question: (Lodge F.D.) On a number of our aprons a 1 inch blue edging has been sewed on the angles of the flaps so that when worn they show up as a large V. These are intended for the use of visitors. Are we within Masonic rules and regulations by using these special aprons?

Decision: There is no violation of law. However, innovations in any established usage sometimes causes disagreement that may disrupt the peace and harmony of the lodge.

Question: (Lodge M) We are in receipt of a petition for the degree of an applicant who uses a hearing aid. May we accept this petition?

Decision: You may receive the application of this petitioner if his hearing is not defective to the extent that a hearing aid is required during initiation.

Question: An applicant, who has suffered part emasculation of genital glands, has petitioned for the degrees. May his petition be received?

Decision: Section 1, A. Article XVI of Masonic Code, specifies that applicant must be unmutilated. The amassulation referred to is a mutilation and the petition cannot be received.

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SPECIAL NOTICE

On receipt of this copy the Master will arrange to have such portions of the Address of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, and the District Deputy Grand Master of the District, as he may desire, read at the first Regular Meeting of the Lodge thereafter. He should also arrange for the reading of the reports, or extracts therefrom, of the Standing Committees, at subsequent Meetings

This page was reserved by the printer for a reproduced photograph of His late Majesty King George VI, robed in the regalia he wore when installed as Grand Master Mason of Scotland, November 30th, 1936.

Owing to an unavoidable delay it is necessary to postpone the publication of the picture until our next issue of the Annual Proceedings.

In Memoriam

King George VI

Past Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Scotland

The sad and somber intimation reached his people throughout the world in the early hours of Wednesday, February 6th, 1952. Although his health had been greatly impaired following the serious operation performed a few months ago, there was little reason to expect the end to be so near.

No Prince of the Royal House ever ascended the Throne whose private virtues and amiable character had so justly endeared him to his people everywhere.

While still Duke of York, he was installed Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Scotland on November 30th, 1936, he being an affiliate of Glamis Lodge No. 99, Grand Lodge of Scotland. Ten days later, he ascended the Throne and on this account tendered his resignation as Grand Master with the personal assurance "he would aways regard Freemasonry with a deep and personal interest." His final public appearance before being proclaimed our King was the occasion of the Bi-Centenary of the Grand Lodge of Scotland, November 28th to December 4th, 1936, where he presided with great charm.

Our Royal Brother made precedent in that while reigning monarch he attended Masonic gatherings. On one such occasion while installing his late brother, the Duke of Kent as Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England, he said, "except for one period of 30 years, a member of our house has occupied the Throne of Grand Lodge for over a century and a half. For the past 65 years this Throne has been filled, first by our Grandfather, King Edward VII, and then by our Great Uncle, the Duke of Connaught, who is beloved by men and Masons throughout the world."

The King Is Dead

Long Live the Queen

M.W. BRO. FRED H. BLYTHE
Grand Master 1951-1952

SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

Grand Lodge of Manitoba,

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CEREMONY OF CONSECRATION AND CONSTITUTION OF CHARLESWOOD LODGE

No. 163, G.R.M.

In the Municipality of Charleswood, Province of Manitoba, and within the Roblin Park Community Hall, the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, met at 8.00 o'clock in the evening of Monday, June 25th, 1951, pursuant to notice given for the purpose of Consecration and Constitution of Charleswood Lodge, U.D.

After the Lodge had been opened by the Master of Charleswood Lodge in the Master Mason Degree, M.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe and the Grand Lodge Officers then entered the Lodge Room and were welcomed. The M.W. Grand Master was invited to the East to assume the gavel.

With the Grand Master, M.W. Brother Blythe, there were present, the following Grand Lodge Officers:

R.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran	Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. H. H. Gray	Senior Grand Warden
M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole	as Junior Grand Warden
M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington	Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat	Grand Director of Ceremonies
V.W. Bro. A. E. Duff	Senior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. Dave Rothstein	Grand Pursuivant

R.W. Bro. Matt. Ferguson, District Deputy Grand Master presented a request to the Grand Master for the Ceremony of Consecration and Constitution of the Lodge as a regular Chartered Lodge, and the M.W. Grand Master signified his willingness to proceed with the Ceremony.

The Charter was then read and the Grand Director of Ceremonies was requested to retire, accompanied by the Ark Bearers, with the Deputy Grand Master as bearer of the Vessel of Corn, the Senior Grand Warden as bearer of the Vessel of Wine and the Acting Junior Grand Warden as bearer of the Vessel of Oil, to bring in the instruments of Consecration and in a most dignified ceremony, Charleswood Lodge No. 163, was Consecrated and Constituted.

The Symbols were then removed and W. Bro. W.H. Batchelor was then installed in full form and the following Officers were invested in their respective Offices:

W.Bro. W. H. Batchelor	Worshipful Master
W.Bro. W. J. Eyers	Immediate Past Master
W.Bro. J. S. Reynolds	Senior Warden
W.Bro. F. Dugard	Junior Warden
W.Bro. H. Chamberg	Treasurer
Bro. A. G. Lawrence	Secretary
Bro. G. J. Percy	Chaplain
Bro. C. F. Hayward	Senior Deacon
Bro. E. J. Watts	Junior Deacon
Bro. I. L. Wood	Director of Ceremonies
Bro. J. S. Redfern	Senior Steward
Bro. A. McCallum	Junior Steward
Bro. J. Hislop	Organist
Bro. T. J. Batchelor	Inner Guard
Bro. H. R. Sanderson	Tyler

Charleswood Lodge No. 163 was then closed by the newly-installed Master and his Officers severally in the Master Mason, Fellow Craft and Entered Apprentice Degrees.

An informal luncheon was then served to the members and visitors present.

Harry Boddington

Grand Secretary.

SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

Grand Lodge of Manitoba,

A.F. & A.M.

CEREMONY OF CONSECRATION AND CONSTITUTION OF STARBUCK LODGE No. 160

In the Village of Starbuck, Province of Manitoba, on Thursday, June 28th, 1951, the Grand Lodge of Manitoba was convened for the purpose of Consecrating and Constituting the above named Lodge at the hour of 8.00 o'clock in the evening.

After the Lodge had been opened by the Worshipful Master of Starbuck Lodge in the Three Craft Degrees of Freemasonry, the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe and the Grand Lodge Officers then entered the Lodge room and were welcomed.

There were present with the Grand Master, M.W. Bro Fred. H. Blythe, the following Grand Lodge Officers:

R.W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran	Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray	Senior Grand Warden
M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole	as Junior Grand Warden
M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington	Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. John P. Mowat	Grand Director of Ceremonies
V.W. Bro. Alex. E. Duff	Senior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. Dave Rothstein	Grand Pursuivant

R.W. Bro. J. W. Johnston, District Deputy Grand Master of the Third Masonic District presented a request to the M.W. Grand Master for the ceremony of Consecration and Constitution of Starbuck Lodge as a regularly Chartered Lodge. The M.W. Grand Master signified his willingness to proceed with the ceremony.

At this point, the Charter was read by M.W. Bro. Coddington, Grand Secretary, and the Grand Director of Ceremonies was directed to retire, accompanied by the Ark Bearers, with the Deputy Grand Master as bearer of the Vessel of Corn, the Senior Grand Warden as bearer of the Vessel of Wine and the Acting Junior Grand Warden as bearer of the Vessel of Oil, to bring in the symbols of Consecration and in a very impressive and dignified ceremony, Starbuck Lodge No. 160 was Consecrated and Constituted.

The Symbols were then removed and W. Bro. Myrton Mills was then installed in full form and the following Officers were invested in their respective Offices:

W.Bro. Myrton Mills	Worshipful Master
W.Bro. Clarence W. Livingston	Immediate Past Master
W.Bro. Charles G. Daum	Senior Warden
Bro. Howard W. Livingston	Junior Warden
Bro. Earl C. Wilcox	Treasurer
Bro. Willard L. Baldwin	Secretary
Bro. Frank A. Owens	Chaplain
Bro. Sanford E. Baldwin	Director of Ceremonies
Bro. Clark S. Frantz	Senior Deacon
Bro. Gordon F. Macadam	Junior Deacon
Bro. John A. Stewart	Senior Steward
Bro. Iver J. Velde	Junior Steward
Bro. Robert L. Livingston	Inner Guard
Bro. Gordon J. Wrixon	Tyler

Starbuck Lodge No. 160 was then closed by the newly-installed Master and his Officers, severally in the Master Mason, Fellow Craft and Entered Apprentice Degrees.

Harry Oddlington

Grand Secretary.

SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

Grand Lodge of Manitoba,

A.F. & A.M.

CEREMONY OF CONSECRATION AND CONSTITUTION OF FORT PRINCE OF WALES LODGE No. 161

In the Town of Churchill, Province of Manitoba, on Tuesday, July 3rd, 1951, the Grand Lodge of Manitoba was convened for the purpose of Consecrating and Constituting Fort Prince of Wales Lodge No. 161 at the hour of 8.00 o'clock in the evening.

After the Lodge had been opened by the Worshipful Master of Fort Prince of Wales Lodge, severally in the Three Degrees of Freemasonry, the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe and Grand Lodge Officers entered the Lodge Room and were welcomed. The M.W. Grand Master was invited to the East to assume the gavel. With the M.W. Grand Master there were present the following Grand Lodge Officers:

R.W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran	Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray	Senior Grand Warden
M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington	Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. John P. Mowat	Grand Director of Ceremonies

The Grand Lodge Party was joined by individual brethren from other points in Manitoba as well as fairly large representative groups from Flin Flon and The Pas, two localities in which the Masonic Lodge works under the direct supervision of the M.W. Grand Master.

M.W. Bro. Coddington, the Grand Secretary presented a request to the Grand Master for the Ceremony of Consecration of the Lodge as a regularly Chartered Lodge and the M.W. Grand Master signified his willingness to proceed with the Ceremony.

The Charter was then read and the Grand Director of Ceremonies retired and re-entered the Lodge bringing in the Symbols of Consecration and in this most Northerly outpost, bordering the shores of Hudson's Bay, Fort Prince of Wales Lodge No. 161 was Consecrated and Constituted.

After the Symbols had been removed, W. Bro. C. A. McCallum was then installed in Full Form as the first Worshipful Master of the new Lodge and the following Officers were invested in their respective Offices:

W.Bro. C. A. McCallum	Worshipful Master
W.Bro. Alex. R. Simpson	Immediate Past Master
Bro. F. M. Downes	Senior Warden
Bro. A. McKenzie	Junior Warden
Bro. J. M. Kempton	Chaplain
W.Bro. M. Veniotte	Treasurer
Bro. R. S. Henderson	Secretary
Bro. K. Strycher	Senior Deacon
Bro. C. W. Brawley	Junior Deacon
Bro. J. Henrickson	as Director of Ceremonies
Bro. R. Steele	Inner Guard
Bro. A. A. Anderson	Senior Steward
Bro. I. Leighton	Junior Steward
Bro. Ben. Jonsson	Tyler

Fort Prince of Wales Lodge No. 161 was closed by the new Master and his Officers severally in the Master Mason, Fellow Craft and Entered Apprentice Degrees.

The evening concluded with a delightful informal banquet served to the members and visitors present.

Harry Oddington

Grand Secretary.

SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

Grand Lodge of Manitoba,

A.F. & A.M.

CEREMONY OF CONSECRATION AND CONSTITUTION OF ASHLAR LODGE

This Special Communication of Grand Lodge was held in the City of St. Boniface on the evening of Tuesday, September 11th, 1951, and was convened for the purpose of the Consecration and Constitution of Ashlar Lodge Under Dispensation.

After the Lodge had been opened in the Master Mason Degree the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Fred. H. Blythe and Grand Lodge Officers entered the Lodge, were welcomed, and M.W. Bro. Blythe invited to the East to assume the gavel.

The following Grand Lodge Officers were present with the Most Worshipful Grand Master:

R.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray	Senior Grand Warden
M.W.Bro. Harry Coddington	Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. W. Percy White	Grand Treasurer
R.W. Bro. Canon F. Hughes	Grand Chaplain
R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat	Grand Director of Ceremonies
V.W. Bro. A. E. Duff	Senior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. Dave Rothstein	Grand Pursuivant

and the following District Deputy Grand Masters:

R.W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson	First Masonic District
R.W. Bro. Evert L. White	Tenth Masonic District
R.W. Bro. Matt. Ferguson	Twelfth Masonic District

R.W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson, D.D.G.M. presented a request to the M.W. Grand Master for the Ceremony of Consecration and Constitution of the Lodge as a regularly Chartered Lodge, and the M.W. Grand Master signified his willingness to proceed with the Ceremony:

The Charter was read and the Grand Director of Ceremonies retired to re-enter the Lodge bringing in the Symbols of Consecration and in a very impressive Ceremony, Ashlar Lodge No. 162 was duly Consecrated and Constituted.

The Symbols of Consecration were then removed, after which W. Bro. J. V. Dillabough was installed in Full Form as the First Worshipful Master of the Lodge, and the following Officers were invested in their offices:

W.Bro. J. P. Duguid	Immediate Past Master
Bro. V. J. Stubbs	Senior Warden
Bro. A. E. Dagg	Junior Warden
Bro. H. D. Till	Treasurer
Bro. K. G. Hillier	Secretary
Bro. C. O. Turnbull	Chaplain
Bro. J. M. Taylor	Senior Deacon
Bro. L. E. Ostrander	Junior Deacon
Bro. A. H. Myrvold	Senior Steward
Bro. C. L. Turner	Junior Steward
Bro. G. R. Dowse	Director of Ceremonies
W.Bro. G. Clark	Organist
Bro. H. Oake	Inner Guard
Bro. A. J. Morris	Tyler

W. Bro. Dillabough and the Officers closed Ashlar Lodge No. 162 severally in the Master Mason, Fellow Craft and Entered Apprentice Degrees.

An informal luncheon concluded the evening.

Harry Oddington

Grand Secretary

SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

Grand Lodge of Manitoba,

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SERVICE OF DEDICATION, SHILOH LODGE NO. 70, ROLAND, NOVEMBER 23rd, 1951

This Special Communication of Grand Lodge was convened at the Village of Roland on the above date for the dual purpose of Installing R.W. Bro. John R. C. Evans in the Office of Junior Grand Warden of this Grand Lodge, and for the Dedication of the new Masonic Hall.

The Lodge was opened in the Three Craft Degrees of Freemasonry after which the M.W. Grand Master, Bro. Fred. H. Blythe assumed the gavel at the request of the Worshipful Master of Shiloh Lodge No. 70, and with the assistance of R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat, Grand Director of Ceremonies, installed R.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans in the Office of Junior Grand Warden and invested him with the Jewel of his office.

Following this, the Worshipful Master of Shiloh Lodge No. 70, W. Bro. G. F. Thompson informed the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Blythe that the brethren of his Lodge, having erected a new building for the furtherance of Freemasonry in their District, were desirous that it should be dedicated to Masonic Purposes. The M.W. Grand Master acknowledged the request and according to ancient usage dedicated the Hall to Freemasonry.

Present with the M.W. Grand Master at this Special Communication of Grand Lodge were the following Grand Lodge Officers:

R.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran	Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray	Senior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. John R. C. Evans	Junior Grand Warden
M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington	Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. Canon Fred'k Hughes	Grand Chaplain
R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat	Grand Director of Ceremonies
V.W. Bro. A. E. Duff	Senior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. H. G. Turner	Junior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. Dave Rothstein	Grand Pursuivant

The following Past Grand Masters were present:

M.W. Bro. Walter C. McDonald
M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole
M.W. Bro. Stanley H. Fahrni

The following District Deputy Grand Masters were present:

R.W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson, First Masonic District
R.W. Bro. Austin D. Blair, Seventh Masonic District
R.W. Bro. Alex. R. Dick, Eighth Masonic District
R.W. Bro. Evert L. White, Tenth Masonic District
R.W. Bro. Matt. Ferguson, Twelfth Masonic District

Grand Lodge was closed in due Form.

R.W. Bro. W. Earl Glover at the request of the Worshipful Master assumed the gavel and with the assistance of his six brothers W. Bros. R. C. Glover, C. H. Glover, S. O. Glover and Bros. R. A., and D. F. and F. A. Glover, all members of Shiloh Lodge No. 70, closed the Lodge severally in the Three Degrees of Freemasonry.

Donations made to the Lodge and the names of the donors follow:

Dimmer Switch—R.W. Bro. O. T. Johnson.

Masonic Emblem Light—Bro. C. L. Cameron on behalf of the sons of deceased members.

Clock—Bro. N. Hodgson.

Master's and Wardens' Chairs—The Seven Glover Brothers.

Past Master's and Junior Officers' Chairs—M.W. Bro. Walter C. McDonald

Carpet—The Masonic Temple Association of Winnipeg.

Harry Beddington

Grand Secretary.

SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

Grand Lodge of Manitoba,

A.F. & A.M.

CEREMONY OF INSTITUTION OF HARRY WOODS LODGE, UNDER DISPENSATION

At the Village of Lundar, in the Province of Manitoba, and within the Community Hall there, the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons was convened on Friday, January 11th, 1952, at 8.00 o'clock in the evening for the purpose of Instituting a new lodge to be known as "Harry Woods" Lodge. M.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe, Grand Master, presided at this Grand Lodge Communication and was assisted by the following Grand Lodge Officers:

R.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran	Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. E. L. White	as Senior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett	as Junior Grand Warden
M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington	Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. J. Reid Glenn	as Grand Treasurer
V.W. Bro. S. A. Restall	Senior Grand Deacon
R.W. Bro. Frank Davey	as Junior Grand Deacon
R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson	as Senior Grand Steward
R.W. Bro. O. T. Johnson	as Junior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. Dave Rothstein	Grand Pursuivant
V.W. Bro. Thos. McLennan	Grand Tyler

The M.W. Grand Master informed the brethren of the purpose for this Special Communication of Grand Lodge and the Grand Secretary read the Dispensation of authority. The Grand Secretary then read the names of the brethren who had been selected to govern Harry Woods Lodge, Under Dispensation, as follows:

W.Bro. A. V. Olson	Worshipful Master
Bro. W. G. Halldorson	Senior Warden
Bro. D. McFadyen	Junior Warden
Bro. J. A. C. Parker	Treasurer
W.Bro. G. J. Breckman	Secretary
Bro. G. Paulson	Senior Deacon
Bro. Oli Johnson	Junior Deacon
W.Bro. H. S. Rutherford	Director of Ceremonies
Bro. Jas. Spittal	Senior Steward
Bro. W. F. Breckman	Junior Steward
Bro. H. W. Elwell	Chaplain
Bro. J. A. Erlendson	Inner Guard
Bro. H. Hallson	Tyler

The brethren took their places before the Altar and were obligated by M.W. Brother Fred. H. Blythe, Grand Master, who also invested them with the Jewel of their Office, finally being conducted to their various stations in the Lodge by the Grand Director of Ceremonies, R.W. Bro. Mowat.

M.W. Bro. Blythe addressed the gathering and in a very appropriate manner placed the gavel of authority in the hands of the new Master.

Some of the articles presented to the Lodge and the names of their donors, follow:

Altar—Glenwood Lodge No. 27, Souris.

Bible and Markers, Square and Compass—W.Bro. Victor Jonasson and Bro. Neil Bardal.

Floor Cloth for Altar—Brethren of Lundar.

Three Gavels—W.Bro. J. J. Wall, I.P.M., Brandon Lodge No. 19.

Door Knocker and Corner Tassels—W.Bro. K. N. Snidal, W.M. Manitouwapa Lodge No. 156.

The letter "G"—Bro. D. McFadyen.

Working Tools—Fenwick Lodge No. 158, Brandon.

Secretary's Desk—Bro. C. Bjorns

Flag—Manitouwapa Lodge No. 156 (Mother Lodge).

Altar Cloth—Brethren of Ericksdale.

Three Gavels—W.Bro. H. S. Rutherford.

All of the following was donated by R.W.Bro. E. L. White, District Deputy Grand Master of the Tenth Masonic District: Wardens' Columns, Candle Sticks, Ashlars, Wands for Deacons and Stewards, Ballot Box, Balls and Cubes, Swords, Setting Maul, Two Pillars and Emblems of Mortality.

Officers' Collars and Jewels—Tenth Masonic District.

Masonic Literature—Bro. B. Stefansson, Carman.

Harry Boddington

Grand Secretary

SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

Grand Lodge of Manitoba,

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CEREMONY OF INSTITUTION OF FRIENDSHIP LODGE, UNDER DISPENSATION

At the Municipality of Fort Garry, in the Province of Manitoba, the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons met at 8.00 o'clock in the evening of Thursday, April 3rd, 1952, in Viscount Alexander School for the purpose of Instituting a new Lodge to be known as Friendship Lodge.

Grand Lodge was convened with the following Grand Lodge Officers in attendance:

M.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe	Grand Master
R.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran	Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray	Senior Grand Warden
M.W. Bro. Harry B. Donnelly	as Junior Grand Warden
M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington	Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. W. Percy White	Grand Treasurer
R.W. Bro. A. R. Dick	as Grand Chaplain
R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat	Grand Director of Ceremonies
R.W. Bro. Frank C. Davey	as Grand Senior Deacon
R.W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson	as Grand Junior Deacon
V.W. Bro. A. E. Duff	Senior Grand Steward
R.W. Bro. John Norquay	Junior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. David Rothstein	Grand Pursuivant
V.W. Bro. Thos. McLennan	Grand Tyler

The M.W. Grand Master stated the purpose for which Grand Lodge had been assembled and the Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. Coddington, read first the Dispensation of authority and then the names of the brethren who had been selected to govern Friendship Lodge U.D. As their names were called, these brethren took their places before the Altar, were obligated by the M.W. Grand Master, invested with the Jewel of their Office and the Grand Director of Ceremonies conducted them to their various stations in the Lodge. Officers so invested were:

W.Bro. G. Wilson Rattray	Worshipful Master
R.W. Bro. Geo. E. Miles	Immediate Past Master
W.Bro. Geo. McG. Farwell	Senior Warden
Bro. Jas. A. Marshall	Junior Warden
W.Bro. Westley R. Johnston	Treasurer
Bro. Howard C. Wolfe	Secretary
Bro. John C. Mathieson	Chaplain
Bro. Donald G. Pearson	Senior Deacon
Bro. E. Gordon Lowen	Junior Deacon
W.Bro. Jas. W. Hall	Director of Ceremonies
Bro. John E. Rogers	Senior Steward
Bro. Charles Hollenberg	Junior Steward
Bro. Hugh B. Lennox	Inner Guard
Bro. Andrew B. Fox	Tyler

Grand Honors were given and the Grand Director of Ceremonies proclaimed the Lodge Instituted and its Officers invested, followed by the Benediction.

The M.W. Grand Master addressed the Lodge with a message of congratulation and expressed the hope that the lodge and its members might always live up to its name of "Friendship." W. Bro. G. Wilson Rattray made suitable reply and in the course of his remarks thanked the following donors for their gifts to the Lodge:

Volume of the Sacred Law, with embroidered markers and cellophane page covers—Bro. George Ostrander.

Swords—R.W. Bro. Geo. E. Miles and Bro. W. A. Scott.

Wardens' Pedestals—Made and donated by Bro. Wm. Radcliffe.

Three Tracing Boards—Norwood Lodge No. 119.

Two Wardens' Columns, Four Metal Bases for Wands, Five Pairs Candidates Uniforms—Mount Sinai Lodge No. 143.

Letter "G," Gavels and Squares—Capitol Lodge No. 136.

Square and Compass for Altar—"The Assiniboine" Lodge No. 114.

Two Ashlars—Charleswood Lodge No. 163.

Stewards' and Deacons' Wands—Northern Light Lodge No. 10.

Officers' Collars and Jewels—Mount Sinai Lodge No. 143, Beaver Lodge No. 139, Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1, Fort Garry Lodge No. 130.

Complete set of Working Tools, Ballot Box—St. John's Lodge No. 4.

Mall and Cloth for Master Mason Degree—R.W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson, D.D.G.M., First Masonic District.

Friendship Lodge U.D. then conducted its first meeting and the Lodge was closed in harmony, severally in the Master Mason, Fellow Craft and Entered Apprentice Degrees at 9.30 p.m.

Harry Oddington

Grand Secretary.

SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

Grand Lodge of Manitoba,

A.F. & A.M.

INSTITUTION OF WOODWORTH LODGE UNDER DISPENSATION

At the Village of Kenton in the Province of Manitoba and at the Community Hall, the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons met at 8.30 p.m. on the evening of Tuesday, May 6th, 1952 for the purpose of Instituting a new lodge to be known as Woodworth Lodge.

Grand Lodge was convened with the following Officers in attendance:

M.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe	Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Hugh M. Kerr	as Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray	Senior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. John R. C. Evans	Junior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. Robert Peel	as Grand Treasurer
M.W. Bro. Maurice S. Donovan	as Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. George V. Henderson	as Grand Chaplain
R.W. Bro. Austin D. Blair	as Grand Historian
R.W. Bro. John P. Mowat	Grand Director of Ceremonies
R.W. Bro. Alex. R. Dick	as Grand Librarian
R.W. Bro. Evert L. White	as Senior Grand Deacon
R.W. Bro. E. P. Venables	as Junior Grand Deacon
V. W. Bro. G. Lyall McMorran	as Grand Organist
R.W. Bro. John C. Cuthill	as Senior Grand Steward
W. Bro. H. G. Turner	as Junior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. David Rothstein	Grand Pursuivant
R.W. Bro. W. J. McGregor	as Grand Tyler

The M.W. Grand Master stated the purpose for which Grand Lodge had been assembled and the Acting Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan, read the Dispensation of Authority.

The following list of Officers was read as being appointed to govern the new Lodge, Under Dispensation:

W. Bro. Christopher P. Brown	Worshipful Master
Bro. Archibald T. Grant	Senior Warden
Bro. Eugene Borgstrom	Junior Warden
Bro. Charles Howell	Treasurer
Bro. John D. Sills	Secretary
Bro. Robert S. Bulloch	Chaplain
Bro. Wilbur Wright	Senior Deacon
Bro. George Perrin	Junior Deacon
Bro. Paul A. Baron	Director of Ceremonies
Bro. Charles Council	Senior Steward
Bro. John Whyte	Junior Steward
Bro. James Willox	Inner Guard
Bro. A. T. Elkington	Tyler

As their names were read, the brethren took their places before the Altar where they were obligated by the M.W. Grand Master, invested with the badge of their Office and then escorted to their respective stations in the Lodge by the Grand Director of Ceremonies. The Worshipful Master of Woodworth Lodge was then placed in the Master's position in the East, the Dispensation and Gavel of authority handed to him by M.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe, and the Institution of the new Lodge was completed.

The new Master, W.Bro. Christopher P. Brown thanked the Grand Lodge Officers for their efforts to the new lodge.

The following donations were acknowledged:

Three Gavels, and letter "G"	Friendship Lodge U.D.
Officers collars	Fidelity Lodge No. 146
Wardens' Columns Emblems of Mortality	Oak Lake Lodge No. 44
Altar Cloth	R.W. Bro. Wm. Clark
Ballot Box	R.W. Bro. P. W. Paul

The M.W. Grand Master suitably addressed the gathering pointing out this was a small lodge in a small Community but as Freemasons they could have a great influence in their Village. He urged them not to lock up the high ideals of Freemasonry in the Lodge room, but to live with its teachings continually before them, and if this was done, he was quite sure the members of Woodworth Lodge would make the Village of Kenton and its vicinity a better place in which to live.

The Officers of Grand Lodge retired, and the new Officers of Woodworth Lodge closed the lodge severally in the Master Mason, Fellow Craft and Entered Apprentice Degrees.

Harry Oddlington

Grand Secretary.

Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

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SEVENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

In the Fort Garry Hotel, in the City of Winnipeg, Manitoba, the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons met in the Seventy-seventh Annual Communication.

Grand Lodge was opened in Ample Form at 2.30 p.m. in the afternoon by the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Frederick Harold Blythe; the Invocation was given by R.W. Brother Rev. Canon Frederick Hughes, Grand Chaplain.

PRESENT

M.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe (93), Winnipeg	Grand Master
R.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran (27), Souris	Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. H. H. Gray (141), Winnipeg	Senior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. Dr. J. R. C. Evans (113), Brandon	Junior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4), Winnipeg	Grand Treasurer
M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington (1), Winnipeg	Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. Rev. Canon F. Hughes (1), Winnipeg	Grand Chaplain
M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4), Winnipeg	Grand Historian
R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat (139), Winnipeg	G.D. of Ceremonies
R.W. Bro. Dr. G. A. Woodside (10), Winnipeg	Grand Librarian
V.W. Bro. S. A. Restall (93), Winnipeg	Senior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. W. J. Breakey (13), Morden	Junior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. A. E. Duff (130), Winnipeg	Senior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. H. G. Turner (116), Wellwood	Junior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. D. Rothstein (141), Winnipeg	Grand Pursuivant
V.W. Bro. Thos. McLennan (101), Binscarth	Grand Tyler
R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson (3), Winnipeg, D.D.G.M.	1st Masonic District
R.W. Bro. A. J. Grant (116), Wellwood, D.D.G.M.	2nd Masonic District
R.W. Bro. J. W. Johnston (67), Wawanesa, D.D.G.M.	3rd Masonic District
R.W. Bro. C. G. McLean (118), Pilot Mound, D.D.G.M.	4th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. E. P. Venables (84), Hamiota, D.D.G.M.	5th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. A. W. Bodkin (77), Napinka, D.D.G.M.	6th Masonic District

R.W. Bro. A. D. Blair (64), Alexander, D.D.G.M. 7th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. A. R. Dick (55), West Kildonan, D.D.G.M. 8th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. W. L. Foshner (105), Swan River, D.D.G.M. 9th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. Dr. E. L. White (131), Winnipeg, D.D.G.M. 10th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. Matt. Ferguson (137), Winnipeg, D.D.G.M. 12th Masonic District

LIST OF PAST GRAND MASTERS PRESENT

M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington (1)
M.W. Bro. N. J. Black (3)
M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4)
M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole (7)
M.W. Bro. A. L. Crossin (10)
M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (11)
M.W. Bro. S. Burland (12)
M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence (25)
M.W. Bro. J. S. MacEwing (51)
M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald (70)
M.W. Bro. E. T. Greenway (71)
M.W. Bro. D. S. Woods (90)
M.W. Bro. Royal Burritt (114)
M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly (138)
M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan (158)

PRINCE RUPERT'S LODGE NO. 1:

W. Bro. G. H. Warren W.M.
Bro. A. J. Ryckman S.W.

M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington
R.W. Bro. Fred. Hughes
W. Bro. J. T. Corrie
W. Bro. B. S. Fleury
W. Bro. M. M. McElheran

LISGAR LODGE NO. 2:

W. Bro. George Goodwin W.M.
Bro. R. Stewart J.W.

R.W. Bro. R. S. Montgomery
R.W. Bro. John Norquay
W. Bro. D. G. Bain
W. Bro. G. M. Gilhuly
W. Bro. W. S. Griffiths
W. Bro. G. L. McQueen
W. Bro. L. C. Maxwell
W. Bro. T. Turner
W. Bro. J. Veitch

ANCIENT LANDMARK LODGE NO. 3:

W. Bro. R. O. Dunsmore W.M.
Bro. W. A. Little S.W.

M.W. Bro. N. J. Black
R.W. Bro. J. C. Grant
R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson
V.W. Bro. C. J. Last
W. Bro. F. Adam
W. Bro. C. S. Coates
W. Bro. P. G. Hawkins
W. Bro. W. F. Hutton
W. Bro. E. Kemp
W. Bro. S. J. Sametz

ST. JOHN'S LODGE No. 4:

W. Bro. C. E. Mansell.................W.M.
Bro. P. C. Pratt.........................S.W.
Bro. J. A. Cooney.......................J.W.

M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas
R.W. Bro. A. G. Cowan
R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy
R.W. Bro. A. S. McCann
R.W. Bro. W. Percy White
V.W. Bro. O. L. Best
V.W. Bro. T. L. Dodsworth
W. Bro. E. H. Brown
W. Bro. C. S. Landon
W. Bro. A. A. MacDonald
W. Bro. B. S. Parker
W. Bro. J. W. Tackaberry

EMERSON LODGE NO. 6:

W. Bro. C. C. Thomson...............W.M.
Bro. A. H. Milne........................J.W.

R.W. Bro. J. D. Lloyd
R.W. Bro. G. J. Long
R.W. Bro. A. Moffit
W. Bro. K. C. R. Coulter
W. Bro. J. C. Reece
W. Bro. T. W. Shields
W. Bro. W. H. Storms
W. Bro. H. Templeton

ASSINIBOINE LODGE NO. 7:

W. Bro. W. K. Stewart................W.M.
Bro. W. C. Allison....................S.W.
Bro. H. J. Lamoureux.............J.W.

M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole
R.W. Bro. S. H. Prowse
V.W. Bro. G. R. Dewar
V.W. Bro. J. C. Hyde
W. Bro. Walter Dalzell
W. Bro. D. W. Smith

KING SOLOMON LODGE NO. 8:

W. Bro. L. A. Taylor...................W.M.
Bro. D. R. Johnson..................S.W.
Bro. H. R. Clow........................J.W.

R.M. Bro. O. T. Johnson
R.W. Bro. Wm. Moore
R.W. Bro. A. J. Sawatzky
W. Bro. J. H. Dickson

NORTHERN LIGHT LODGE NO. 10:

W. Bro. C. S. Williams...............W.M.
Bro. G. C. Galbraith................S.W.
Bro. C. G. Harris......................J.W.

M.W. Bro. A. L. Crossin
R.W. Bro. G. A. Woodside
V.W. Bro. S. D. Cruden
W. Bro. R. S. Campbell
W. Bro. G. M. Farwell
W. Bro. M. J. Marshall
W. Bro. D. Mitchell
W. Bro. W. R. Morrison
W. Bro. S. H. Muton
W. Bro. J. T. Norquay
W. Bro. G. H. Pratt

GLADSTONE LODGE NO. 11:

W. Bro. S. C. Howard.................W.M.
Bro. F. R. Jarvis.......................S.W.
Bro. J. M. Ferguson.................J.W.

M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni
R.W. Bro. W. J. McGregor
W. Bro. F. H. Bell
W. Bro. R. M. Cawley
W. Bro. A. S. Hart
W. Bro. D. S. Hyndman
W. Bro. D. P. Lobb
W. Bro. S. Sorenson
W. Bro. E. A. Stout
W. Bro. C. Wallis

STONEWALL LODGE NO. 12:

W. Bro. E. B. Good......................W.M.
Bro. J. C. Slater.........................S.W.
Bro. J. S. Whitehead................J.W.

M.W. Bro. S. Burland
R.W. Bro. J. W. Lindsay
V.W. Bro. H. A. Good
W. Bro. J. J. Aldworth
W. Bro. W. G. Corbett
W. Bro. W. H. French
W. Bro. O. W. Guest
W. Bro. S. J. Heggie
W. Bro. H. R. McEwen
W. Bro. C. S. Trick

MORDEN LODGE NO. 13:

Bro. W. L. Jessiman...............S.W.

R.W. Bro. G. H. Bray
R.W. Bro. W. R. Leslie
V.W. Bro. W. J. Breakey
W. Bro. B. F. Farquharson
W. Bro. Wm. Godfrey

PRINCE OF WALES LODGE NO. 14:

W. Bro. H. J. Moad......................W.M.
Bro. W. A. Rykiss.....................S.W.

W. Bro. J. Fleming
W. Bro. C. E. Meadows
W. Bro. H. M. Stephenson
W. Bro. Robt. Wood

CORINTHIAN LODGE NO. 15:

W. Bro. J. R. Stratford...............W.M.
Bro. G. R. Underhill...............S.W.

BRANDON LODGE NO. 19:

W. Bro. R. C. Ghidoni.................W.M.
Bro. H. W. Halverson.............S.W.
Bro. G. R. Crookshank...........J.W.

R.W. Bro. J. W. Broatch
W. Bro. F. C. Courtice
W. Bro. H. L. Newton
W. Bro. J. J. Wall
W. Bro. A. G. Warr

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W. Bro. W. K. Clyde....................W.M.
Bro. J. D. McLaren..................J.W.

W. Bro. J. F. Irwin

IONIC LODGE NO. 25:

W. Bro. Robt. Wood..................W.M.
Bro. C. W. Brown....................S.W.

M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence
R.W. Bro. R. Fletcher Argue
V.W. Bro. E. T. Leech
W. Bro. A. J. Christie
W. Bro. J. M. Davies
W. Bro. H. V. Dimock
W. Bro. E. L. Hardie
W. Bro. Jas. Perry
W. Bro. G. A. Warren

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W. Bro. J. R. Adair.....................W.M.
Bro. H. W. Forrest.................S.W.

R.W. Bro. G. H. Grant
R.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran
R.W. Bro. W. H. Hicks
V.W. Bro. C. F. Anderson
W. Bro. McLaren Ewart
W. Bro. W. M. Frame
W. Bro. J. McInnes
W. Bro. J. H. Turner

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R.W. Bro. B. W. Caldwell
W. Bro. H. C. Banister
W. Bro. A. G. Barron
W. Bro. E. A. Berry
W. Bro. A. L. Mackay
W. Bro. C. P. Rogers

MANITOU LODGE NO. 30:

W. Bro. C. L. Sanders.................W.M.
Bro. C. S. Hancock.................J.W.

R.W. Bro. W. A. Pommer

DORIC LODGE NO. 36:

W. Bro. A. H. Kinsey.................W.M.
Bro. J. P. Moore.......................J.W.

R.W. Bro. C. C. McLeod
W. Bro. J. D. Houston

BIRTLE LODGE NO. 39:

W. Bro. D. L. Spencer................W.M.
Bro. O. L. Kelly.......................S.W.

W. Bro. T. E. Doran

DELORAINE LODGE NO. 40:

Bro. G. E. Franklin.................S.W.

R.W. Bro. A. F. Johnston
W. Bro. H. H. Barnes
W. Bro. F. Green
W. Bro. G. B. Newell
W. Bro. W. P. Rosentreder

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W. Bro. A. A. Megaffin...............W.M.
Bro. D. A. Gray.......................S.W.
Bro. N. A. Mooney..................J.W.

W. Bro. J. C. Anderson
W. Bro. W. J. Eyers

OAK LAKE LODGE No. 44:

Bro. T. G. Olive.......................S.W.

GLENBORO LODGE No. 48:

W. Bro. G. M. Smith.................W.M.
Bro. J. E. Diehl.....................S.W.
Bro. J. McTaggart..................J.W.

R.W. Bro. A. S. Hames

TEMPLE LODGE No. 49:

W. Bro. A. J. Groves.................W.M.
Bro. R. H. Harvey..................S.W.
Bro. L. B. Patterson...............J.W.

R.W. Bro. M. E. MacKinnon
W. Bro. S. R. Lamb
W. Bro. H. A. Lye
W. Bro. D. S. Naylor
W. Bro. F. W. Venn
W. Bro. R. E. Walden

KILLARNEY LODGE No. 50:

Bro. H. C. Bate.......................J.W.

R.W. Bro. J. C. Bate

TREHERNE LODGE No. 51:

W. Bro. J. L. Stanton...............W.M.
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Bro. G. F. Ray........................J.W.

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W. Bro. J. Anderson
W. Bro. I. A. Cottam
W. Bro. L. E. Staples
W. Bro. C. Wiechman
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W. Bro. W. P. Cowan...............W.M.
Bro. J. Love............................S.W.

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W. Bro. W. A. Drummond
W. Bro. G. J. Landreth

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W. Bro. J. B. Barker.................W.M.

R.W. Bro. H. L. Morrow

EAST STAR LODGE No. 55:

W. Bro. H. F. Friesen...............W.M.
Bro. E. F. Friesen...................S.W.
Bro. J. E. Kehler.....................J.W.

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R.W. Bro. G. E. Keyes
W. Bro. P. Schuppert
W. Bro. J. W. Simpson

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HOLLAND LODGE No. 63:

W. Bro. G. G. Frame.................W.M.
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W. Bro. C. Sundell
W. Bro. G. T. Taylor
W. Bro. A. Thompson

COMPOSITE LODGE No. 64:

W. Bro. W. O. McKay	W.M.	R.W. Bro. A. D. Blair
Bro. F. C. McManes	S.W.	W. Bro. S. W. Dunn
		W. Bro. R. J. Green
		W. Bro. G. A. C. Yeomans

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W. Bro. W. J. Johnston	W.M.	R.W. Bro. C. L. Atkinson
Bro. H. C. Cory	S.W.	R.W. Bro. J. W. Johnston
Bro. M. E. McKellar	J.W.	R.W. Bro. H. E. Mitchell
		W. Bro. Ira Mayhew

VERMILLION LODGE No. 68:

SHILOH LODGE No. 70:

W. Bro. R. R. Bartley	W.M.	M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald
Bro. K. G. Stocks	S.W.	R.W. Bro. W. E. Glover
Bro. C. L. Cameron	J.W.	W. Bro. A. Kelly
		W. Bro. R. A. McKenzie

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W. Bro. J. H. Treble	W.M.	M.W. Bro. E. T. Greenway
Bro. S. W. Simning	S.W.	R.W. Bro. F. B. Lynes
		W. Bro. H. H. Howard
		W. Bro. J. A. Macartney
		W. Bro. D. A. McKay
		W. Bro. G. S. Mutch
		W. Bro. U. F. Mutch

ELKHORN LODGE No. 74:

W. Bro. J. Bajus	W.M.	W. Bro. F. C. Norris

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Bro. G. M. Hay	J.W.	

NAPINKA LODGE No. 77:

W. Bro. F. L. Lindbloom	W.M.	R.W. Bro. A. W. Bodkin
Bro. G. A. Hassett	S.W.	
Bro. J. D. Elsey	J.W.	

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Bro. T. B. Kenyon	J.W.	

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Bro. R. Watt	J.W.	

ELGIN LODGE No. 86:

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W. Bro. T. D. Haggart.............W.M.
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R.W. Bro. J. Wilson
W. Bro. D. W. Buchanan
W. Bro. A. H. Macdonald
W. Bro. T. N. Thornes

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W. Bro. T. T. Bartley...............W.M.
Bro. W. P. Eby.......................S.W.

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R.W. Bro. W. N. Cameron
R.W. Bro. A. C. Orchard
W. Bro. S. Stuart

SHOAL LAKE LODGE No. 92:

W. Bro. B. H. Manning
W. Bro. J. W. Musgrove

KING EDWARD LODGE No. 93:

W. Bro. Gus Ulrich...................W.M.
Bro. S. J. Mitchell.................S.W.
Bro. E. Ballendine.................J.W.

M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe
R.W. Bro. J. J. Bannerman
R.W. Bro. F. C. Davey
V.W. Bro. S. A. Restall
W. Bro. Ben. Davies
W. Bro. E. E. Burden
W. Bro. E. I. Fritch
W. Bro. R. A. Gillespie
W. Bro. L. N. McMullen
W. Bro. A. E. Ritchie
W. Bro. L. J. Turner
W. Bro. E. I. Waller
W. Bro. F. Williamson

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Bro. H. G. Bell.......................S.W.

W. Bro. R. A. Knox

ROBBIE BURNS LODGE No. 100:

BINSCARTH LODGE No. 101:

W. Bro. J. S. Murray.................W.M.
Bro. J. Warr.............................J.W.

R.W. Bro. W. A. Burnett
V.W. Bro. Thos. McLennan

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Bro. H. W. Gibbings..............S.W.

R.W. Bro. W. D. Berwick
R.W. Bro. Robt. Peel
W. Bro. G. A. Rowan

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W. Bro. S. W. Woods..........W.M.
Bro. R. A. Hess..........J.W.

R.W. Bro. H. R. Bewes
R.W. Bro. W. C. Ross
V.W. Bro. E. A. Baragar
W. Bro. W. B. McKay
W. Bro. M. Molloy
W. Bro. D. R. Woods

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R.W. Bro. J. Cuthill
V.W. Bro. G. L. McMorran
W. Bro. W. J. Abbey
W. Bro. W. Brown
W. Bro. C. A. Caldwell

PRINCE ARTHUR LODGE No. 105:

W. Bro. G. L. Grayson..........W.M.

R.W. Bro. W. L. Foshner
R.W. Bro. W. J. Lamb

STRATHCLAIR LODGE No. 106:

R.W. Bro. G. V. Henderson
W. Bro. H. W. Clark
W. Bro. E. S. Currah
W. Bro. H. M. Mayhew

LANSDOWNE LODGE No. 107:

W. Bro. D. B. McMillan..........W.M.
Bro. D. Kettles..........S.W.

R.W. Bro. F. K. Purdie
W. Bro. W. D. Griggs

UNION LODGE No. 108:

W. Bro. Wm. Dickson..........W.M.
Bro. C. D. Jardine..........S.W.
Bro. H. B. Dennis..........J.W.

R.W. Bro. C. F. L. McLeod

SWAN LAKE LODGE No. 109:

Bro. H. E. Foster..........J.W.

W. Bro. J. E. Cooper
W. Bro. O. W. Couch
W. Bro. H. R. Horn

KILWINNING LODGE No. 110:

W. Bro. S. Noble..........W.M.
Bro. G. A. Popple..........S.W.

W. Bro. J. B. Francis
W. Bro. J. D. McDougall

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Bro. J. Hamilton..........S.W.
Bro. D. H. Mackay..........J.W.

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W. Bro. J. Harvey
W. Bro. H. Purton
W. Bro. C. Ross
W. Bro. A. Russell
W. Bro. R. Sharp

OPHIR LODGE No. 112:

W. Bro. O. Russell..........W.M.
Bro. A. S. Williams..........J.W.

W. Bro. Thos. Law
W. Bro. J. Longbottom

TWEED LODGE No. 113:

Bro. R. A. Yates..........S.W.

R.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans
R.W. Bro. H. M. Kerr
R.W. Bro. W. A. Prugh
V.W. Bro. H. G. Kilpatrick
W. Bro. Geo. Butler
W. Bro. W. D. Gall

"THE ASSINIBOINE" LODGE No. 114:

W. Bro. J. A. Ogden..........W.M.
Bro. E. A. L. Hammarstrand..S.W.
Bro. E. J. W. Akins..........J.W.

M.W. Bro. Royal Burritt
V.W. Bro. G. G. White
W. Bro. W. S. Archibald
W. Bro. A. E. Boyle
W. Bro. J. W. Bringhurst
W. Bro. N. M. Hall
W. Bro. J. W. Hall
W. Bro. O. E. MacQuoid
W. Bro. D. L. McLean
W. Bro. D. P. Martell

RIVERS LODGE No. 115:

W. Bro. W. C. White..........W.M.
Bro. J. E. Jelliff..........S.W.
Bro. T. Smith..........J.W.

R.W. Bro. R. G. Sinclair

ST. ANDREW'S LODGE No. 116:

W. Bro. S. L. Reidle..........W.M.
Bro. H. V. Roberts..........S.W.
Bro. J. S. Titus..........J.W.

R.W. Bro. G. W. Wells
V.W. Bro. H. G. Turner
W. Bro. J. H. Caldwell

STRATHCONA LODGE No. 117:

W. Bro. J. A. McPhail..........W.M.
Bro. E. H. Harrison..........S.W.

R.W. Bro. A. J. Box
R.W. Bro. D. Macdonald
W. Bro. D. N. Campbell
W. Bro. R. E. Gullett
W. Bro. N. E. Madsell

MOUND LODGE No. 118:

W. Bro. G. E. Cohoe..........W.M.

R.W. Bro. C. G. McLean
W. Bro. R. E. Hicks
W. Bro. G. Nadin

NORWOOD LODGE No. 119:

W. Bro. J. C. MacDonald..........W.M.
Bro. W. S. Leture..........S.W.
Bro. E. Craven..........J.W.

V.W. Bro. S. C. Taylor
V.W. Bro. J. A. Tisdale
W. Bro. Geo. Clark
W. Bro. D. Milne
W. Bro. E. H. Pascoe

PENZA LODGE No. 120:

W. Bro. M. H. Smith..................W.M.
Bro. W. L. Lindsay..................S.W.
Bro. F. Casper..........................J.W.

R.W. Bro. J. A. McVicar
V.W. Bro. H. Spence
W. Bro. W. M. Casson
W. Bro. H. W. Davison
W. Bro. R. W. Witty

ST. JAMES LODGE No. 121:

W. Bro. S. C. Bagley..................W.M.
Bro. L. E. Ashby......................S.W.
Bro. R. G. Turnbull..................J.W.

R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett
R.W. Bro. N. R. Pickell
V.W. Bro. Thos. King
V.W. Bro. E. S. Reeves
W. Bro. S. V. Basley
W. Bro. A. L. Large
W. Bro. W. S. Marley
W. Bro. G. W. Rattray
W. Bro. J. K. Reid
W. Bro. C. R. Saul
W. Bro. W. Smith
W. Bro. G. W. Souter
W. Bro. D. Stringer
W. Bro. J. Wylie
W. Bro. R. Wood

ROBLIN LODGE No. 122:

W. Bro. W. J. Ward......................W.M.

R.W. Bro. F. Starr
W. Bro. A. W. Hicks
W. Bro. G. Kelso

TRANSCONA LODGE No. 123:

W. Bros. Jas. Bligh......................W.M.

W. Bro. E. E. Buckby
W. Bro. T. D. Conlin
W. Bro. A. W. Harvey
W. Bro. J. F. Kruger

THE PAS LODGE No. 124:

Bro. A. H. Johnson..................J.W.

PATRICIA LODGE No. 125:

Bro. W. G. Last........................J.W.

W. Bro. W. G. Peckover
W. Bro. Paul Jeske
W. Bro. J. J. Tjaden

FAVEL LODGE No. 126:

W. Bro. J. F. Lowdon..................W.M.
Bro. E. R. S. Russenholt .......S.W.

EMPIRE LODGE No. 127:

W. Bro. D. B. Hanna..................W.M.
Bro. J. Hall..................................S.W.
Bro. H. C. Paulley....................J.W.

R.W. Bro. Jas. Wardrope
W. Bro. A. D. Adamson
W. Bro. A. Sinclair
W. Bro. F. Williamson
W. Bro. J. W. G. Wyatt

VICTORY LODGE No. 128:

W. Bro. M. J. Dunall..................W.M.

W. Bro. H. E. Staples

FORT GARRY LODGE No. 130:

W. Bro. A. G. Sim........................W.M.

V.W. Bro. A. E. Duff
V.W. Bro. W. D. G. Runions
W. Bro. H. H. Hawker
W. Bro. Gordon McKenzie
W. Bro. J. S. Miller
W. Bro. E. R. Siddall

KILDONAN LODGE No. 131:

W. Bro. M. C. Brown.................W.M.
Bro. R. Weatherston...............J.W.

R.W. Bro. E. L. White
V.W. Bro. L. G. Barnes
W. Bro. A. H. Brotheridge
W. Bro. D. Carnegie
W. Bro. R. C. Kirk
W. Bro. A. W. Ogston
W. Bro. W. S. Page
W. Bro. J. Rennie
W. Bro. G. R. Tatlock
W. Bro. Wm. Thomson

SPRAGUE LODGE No. 132:

McCREARY LODGE No. 133:

W. Bro. O. Hanson.......................W.M.

W. Bros. Jas. Crout
W. Bro. F. H. White

STONY MOUNTAIN LODGE No. 134:

W. Bro. D. Scott............................W.M.
Bro. G. W. McNeill................S.W.

R.W. Bro. J. W. Anderson
R.W. Bro. J. S. Wilson
W. Bro. W. H. N. Adair
W. Bro. H. W. Elwell
W. Bro. C. H. French
W. Bro. R. F. Green
W. Bro. T. Hartley
W. Bro. E. R. R. Mills

CAPITOL LODGE No. 136:

W. Bro. A. P. Jones......................W.M.
Bro. J. H. Bowack...................S.W.
Bro. F. J. Robertson...............J.W.

R.W. Bro. G. E. Miles
W. Bro. H. W. Cooper
W. Bro. J. P. Edgar
W. Bro. R. J. Emerson
W. Bro. W. J. Law
W. Bro. H. A. Pascoe
W. Bro. T. Wilson

LORD SELKIRK LODGE No. 137:

R.W. Bro. M. Ferguson
R.W. Bro. G. R. Mackay
V.W. Bro. A. Huddlestone

WINDSOR LODGE No. 138:

W. Bro. G. S. Marshall.............W.M.
Bro. G. L. Wilson....................S.W.

M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly
R.W. Bro. D. Griffith
V.W. Bro. J. B. McClure
W. Bro. Jas. Burns
W. Bro. A. J. Horton
W. Bro. P. T. Houston
W. Bro. R. McClure
W. Bro. W. E. Munn
W. Bro. J. F. Orr
W. Bro. J. L. Strachan
W. Bro. J. H. Wood

BEAVER LODGE No. 139:

W. Bro. H. A. Roberts..............W.M.

R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat
R.W. Bro. L. C. Welsh
V.W. Bro. W. Lawson
V.W. Bro. S. W. Robertson
W. Bro. F. M. Bastin
W. Bro. F. H. Herbert
W. Bro. G. M. Lardner
W. Bro. A. Wharton

MERIDIAN LODGE No. 140:

W. Bro. Chas. Campbell............W.M.
Bro. L. C. Woods.....................S.W.
Bro. J. M. E. Rewcastle.........J.W.

R.W. Bro. D. Milliken
R.W. Bro. W. D. Harper
W. Bro. A. C. Cabel
W. Bro. A. R. Cossor
W. Bro. J. Mowat
W. Bro. A. A. Reid

TUSCAN LODGE No. 141:

W. Bro. C. G. Haysom..............W.M.

R.W. Bro. H. H. Gray
V.W. Bro. D. Rothstein
V.W. Bro. N. Rothstein
W. Bro. J. J. Allen
W. Bro. E. L. Barr
W. Bro. N. W. Code
W. Bro. T. Crossley

HARMONY LODGE No. 142:

W. Bro. M. E. Graham

MOUNT SINAI LODGE No. 143:

W. Bro. A. Hecht.........................W.M.
Bro. A. Guttman....................S.W.

R.W. Bro. S. Hart Green
R.W. Bro. A. E. Weidman
V.W. Bro. I. Guttman
W. Bro. A. J. Blond
W. Bro. J. Fred
W. Bros. S. Golden
W. Bro. H. Guttman
W. Bro. H. Haid
W. Bro. W. Leonoff
W. Bro. H. J. Nusgart
W. Bro. J. L. Rill
W. Bro. M. Rosenstock
W. Bro. J. Serebrin
W. Bro. I. Zipursky
W. Bro. M. Waldman

FORT OSBORNE LODGE No. 144:

W. Bro. D. W. Stewart..............W.M.
Bro. H. C. Cook......................S.W.
Bro. C. F. Kilpatrick..............J.W.

R.W. Bro. J. R. Glenn

STURGEON CREEK LODGE No. 145:

W. Bro. E. Chivers
W. Bro. A. R. Laird
W. Bro. A. C. B. Stewart

FIDELITY LODGE No. 146:

W. Bro. M. A. Schell..................W.M.
Bro. G. F. Cameron.................S.W.
Bro. K. A. M. Sutton ..............J.W.

R.W. Bro. Geo. Florence
W. Bro. M. H. Acheson
W. Bro. E. J. Heaney
W. Bro. W. W. Pile
W. Bro. S. C. Swanton
W. Bro. F. H. Williams

JUBILEE LODGE No. 147:

SEVEN OAKS LODGE No. 148:

W. Bro. M. Andrew....................W.M.
Bro. T. Sly..................................S.W.

R.W. Bro. A. C. Pritchard
W. Bro. J. H. Arnett
W. Bro. W. S. Chesworth
W. Bro. J. J. Douglas
W. Bro. R. J. Matthewson
W. Bro. Geo. Milne
W. Bro. W. J. T. Pearce

CARTWRIGHT LODGE No. 150:

THE DORMER LODGE No. 151:

W. Bro. Reg. Clare.....................W.M.
Bro. G. L. Mills..........................S.W.
Bro. G. K. Parson.....................J.W.

R.W. Bro. R. W. Ross
V.W. Bro. R. S. Bird
W. Bro. J. Elder
W. Bro. A. C. Keel
W. Bro. E. C. Sansom
W. Bro. C. H. Wells

FOXWARREN LODGE No. 152:

Bro. J. Laycock..........................S.W.

FLIN FLON LODGE No. 153:

W. Bro. R. Davison....................W.M.
Bro. M. G. Laing........................J.W.

PINE FALLS LODGE No. 154:

W. Bro. R. Towler........................W.M.

R.W. Bro. D. C. Robertson
W. Bro. Wm. Bird
W. Bro. R. Gohn
W. Bro. E. F. Tanner

CARMAN LODGE No. 155:

Bro. Al Hardy............................S.W.

W. Bro. W. M. Duncan
W. Bro. G. A. Greenaway
W. Bro. A. W. Miller
W. Bro. G. Weaver

MANITOUWAPA LODGE No. 156:

Bro. D. McFadyen..................S.W.
Bro. S. Schwartz.......................J.W.

R.W. Bro. D. Ferguson
W. Bro. G. J. Breckman
W. Bro. A. V. Olson

RICE LAKE LODGE No. 157:

R.W. Bro. F. R. Sutton
W. Bro. G. H. Lucas

FENWICK LODGE No. 158:

W. Bro. A. W. Olson....................W.M.
Bro. H. H. Rungay..................S.W.

M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan
R.W. Bro. F. R. Willmott
W. Bro. H. S. Perdue
W. Bro. W. A. Wyborn

NEWDALE LODGE No. 159:

W. Bro. J. M. Sinclair

STARBUCK LODGE No. 160:

W. Bro. H. W. Livingstone.........W.M.
Bro. C. S. Frantz.....................S.W.

W. Bro. M. Mills

FORT PRINCE OF WALES LODGE No. 161:

Bro. R. Steele............................S.W.

ASHLAR LODGE No. 162:

W. Bro. V. J. Stubbs....................W.M.
Bro. A. E. Dagg........................S.W.
Bro. J. M. Taylor.....................J.W.

W. Bro. J. G. H. Mason

CHARLESWOOD LODGE No. 163:

Bro. C. F. Hayward................S.W.
Bro. J. L. Wood.........................J.W.

W. Bro. W. H. Batchelor
W. Bro. C. E. James
W. Bro. J. S. Reynolds

Honorary Members:

M.W. Bro. Hon. Dr. W. J. Dunlop, Ont.
M.W. Bro. Geo. F. Ellis, Alta.
M.W. Bro. L. H. Colson, Minn.
M.W. Bro. R. W. Stanford, Minn.
M.W. Bro. C. C. Colton, Minn.
M.W. Bro. W. F. Holman, Minn.
M.W. Bro. C. L. Jacobson, Minn.
M.W. Bro. C. M. Pollock, N.D.
M.W. Bro. J. A. Stormon, N.D.
M.W. Bro. H. S. Pond, N.D.
M.W. Bro. R. R. Twamley, S.D.
R.W. Bro. R. A. Tate, Sask.

Guests:

M.W. Bro. W. F. Empey, G.M., Alta.
M.W. Bro. R. R. McEwan, G.M., Sask.
M.W. Bro. G. W. Christie, G.M., Minn.
R.W. Bro. L. E. Matson, S.G.W., Minn.
W. Bro. C. B. Norton, Director, Minn.
M.W. Bro. G. C. Hulett, G.M., N.D.
R.W. Bro. E. J. Franta, D.G.M., N.D.

Visitors:

V.W. Bro. G. L. Paxman, N.D.
R.W. Bro. J. Candline, Sask.

All Master Masons desiring to enter Grand Lodge were then admitted and assigned to special seating accommodation provided for them in the Lodge Room.

The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe, welcomed the members of Grand Lodge, visitors and Master Masons, expressing his pleasure and appreciation at the excellent attendance.

ADOPTING OF REGULATIONS

It was moved by M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington (1), seconded by R.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran (27) that the Agenda and Regulations for conducting the Sessions of Grand Lodge as printed, be adopted, subject to the wishes of the Grand Master. Carried.

The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Blythe requested that all brethren entering or leaving the Lodge, approach the Altar, give the required sign, and only between items of business. The Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. Coddington, reminded the brethren that all Motions must be written on the forms provided for this purpose.

READING OF MINUTES

It was moved by R.W. Bro. H. H. Gray (141), seconded by M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole (7), that the Minutes of the Last Annual Communication and of the Special and Adjourned Sessions of Grand Lodge as printed in the Proceedings be taken as read and confirmed. Carried.

REPORT OF NOMINATIONS

The Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. Coddington (1), reported that the following nominations had been received for the Offices of Grand Lodge, and for the Board of General Purposes, which report was seconded by R.W. Bro. H. H. Gray (141).

Grand Master:
R.W. Bro. Gordon Alexander McMorran, Glenwood Lodge No. 27.

Deputy Grand Master:
R.W. Bro. Harry Haggart Gray, Tuscan Lodge No. 141.

Senior Grand Warden:
R.W. Bro. John Robert Charles Evans, Tweed Lodge No. 113.

Junior Grand Warden:
R.W. Bro. John Norquay, Lisgar Lodge No. 2.
R.W. Bro. Robert E. Emmett, St. James Lodge No. 121.
R.W. Bro. David Griffith, Windsor Lodge No. 138.

Grand Treasurer:
R.W. Bro. W. Percy White, St. John's Lodge No. 4.

Grand Secretary:
R.W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson, Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3.

Grand Chaplain:
W. Bro. Rev. Canon Harold L. Newton, Brandon Lodge No. 19.

Grand Historian:
M.W. Bro. William Douglas, St. John's Lodge No. 4.

Grand Director of Ceremonies:
V.W. Bro. David Rothstein, Tuscan Lodge No. 141.

Grand Librarian:
R.W. Bro. George A. Woodside, Northern Light Lodge No. 10.

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

Two Year Term:

R.W. Bro. Albert S. McCann, St. John's Lodge No. 4.
W. Bro. Walter Dalzell, Assiniboine Lodge No. 7.
R.W. Bro. A. J. Sawatzky, King Solomon Lodge No. 8.
R.W. Bro. W. J. McGregor, Gladstone No. 11.
V.W. Bro. Jas. W. Rousell, Corinthian Lodge No. 15.
W. Bro. Wm. A. Wyborn, Brandon Lodge No. 19.
R.W. Bro. G. H. Grant, Glenwood Lodge No. 27.
W. Bro. Alex. G. Barron, Carberry Lodge No. 29.
R.W. Bro. Douglas Stroud, Doric Lodge No. 36.
R.W. Bro. J. C. Bate, Killarney Lodge No. 50.
R.W. Bro. Austin D. Blair, Composite Lodge No. 64.
R.W. Bro. E. P. Venables, Hamiota Lodge No. 84.
R.W. Bro. Frank C. Davey, King Edward Lodge No. 93.
R.W. Bro. John Cuthill, Reston Lodge No. 104.
R.W. Bro. Geo. V. Henderson, Strathclair Lodge No. 106.
R.W. Bro. Geo. O. Couch, Swan Lake Lodge No. 109.
W. Bro. Gerrit J. Smith, Ophir Lodge No. 112.
R.W. Bro. Jas. Wardrope, Empire Lodge No. 127.
R.W. Bro. Evert L. White, Kildonan Lodge No. 131.
R.W. Bro. Geo. E. Miles, Capitol Lodge No. 136.
R.W. Bro. Matt. Ferguson, Lord Selkirk Lodge No. 137.
R.W. Bro. John P. Mowat, Beaver Lodge No. 139.
R.W. Bro. A. E. Weidman, Mount Sinai Lodge No. 143.
W. Bro. Emerson J. Heaney, Fidelity Lodge No. 146.
R.W. Bro. F. R. Willmott, Fenwick Lodge No. 158.

PETITIONS, APPEALS AND CORRESPONDENCE

The Grand Secretary reported there was no correspondence to be taken up at this time. Regrets for absence were received from M.W. Bro. W. J. Major (25) and M.W. Bro. H. W. Gill, (Honorary Past Grand Master), South Dakota.

Greetings were received from the Winnipeg Chapter, Order of DeMolay, the Grand Chapter, Order of Eastern Star and M.W. Bro. George R. Calvert (1), P.G.M., newly-elected Bishop of Calgary.

PETITION:

MOTION RE PETITION FOR CHARTER HARRY WOODS LODGE

It was moved by M.W. Bro. H. Coddington (1) seconded by R.W. Bro. E. L. White (131) that:

WHEREAS HARRY WOODS LODGE, having been granted a Dispensation by the Most Worshipful Grand Master on January 9th, 1952; Instituted by the Most Worshipful Frederick H. Blythe, Grand Master, on Friday the Eleventh day of January 1952 at Lundar, Manitoba.

AND WHEREAS since that date has carried on as a Lodge of Freemasons, successfully in accordance with and in harmony with the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba as the report of the Grand Master to the Board of General Purposes would testify:

AND WHEREAS THE SAID LODGE, having petitioned the Grand Lodge to grant them a Charter, which petition, with the approval of the Grand Master is now favorably recommended by the Board of General Purposes.

BE IT NOW RESOLVED, that this Grand Lodge of Manitoba grant the prayer of the Petition and that the said Lodge, situate in the Village of Lundar, Manitoba, be placed on the Register of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba denominated Harry Woods Lodge and numbered 164. Carried.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

On behalf of the Board of General Purposes, I beg to submit the following summary of the business transacted by the Board during the past year.

MEETING OF JUNE 14th, 1951

The meeting was held after the close of Grand Lodge for the purpose of organization. By virtue of Office, R.W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran became President and R.W. Bro. Harry Gray was elected Vice-president.

The following Committee to strike the Standing Committees was selected:

M.W. Bro. B. C. Parker
M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan
M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas
M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald
M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington

MEETING OF JULY 20th, 1951

The Vice-president presided, with 21 members present.

The Committee appointed to strike the Standing Committees presented its report, which was adopted with one addition.

The Board approved the purchase and installation of a fan in the Board Room, which should do much to improve the ventilation during meetings. Permission was granted to Ophir Lodge No. 112 at Beausejour to proceed with alterations to its lodge premises, subject to certain financial details and structural plans being filed with the Grand Secretary and reviewed at the Board's next meeting.

The matter of possible assistance to the Kansas and Missouri Flood sufferers was discussed. The Grand Secretary reported that he had been in communication by wire with both Grand Lodges and that a full report would be possible at the next meeting.

Regulations with regard to Annual holidays for the office staff were discussed at length and decided upon.

MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 21st, 1951

The President presided with 38 members present.

The plans and financial arrangements were presented from Ophir Lodge No. 112 and approved. The Grand Secretary reported that under the will of the late Bro. Andrew Brown, a substantial bequest was made to the Grand Lodge Benevolent Endowment Fund. The file with regard to this matter was placed in the hands of M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence, with authority to protect the interests of Grand Lodge. R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy reported on the progress being made with the negotiations for the disposal of the property of the now closed Shellmouth Lodge No. 129. The Grand Secretary reported that Patricia Lodge No. 125 had applied for a Certificate of Incorporation and that details would be furnished later as to the building the Lodge proposed to purchase and use as a Masonic Hall.

Authority was given to continue payment of the Grand Secretary's Honorarium of $100.00 per month to the end of March, 1952. A Committee comprising the Chairmen of all Standing Committees was appointed to take up the matter of the respective duties of the Grand Secretary and the Executive Secretary and to report to the Board not later than the meeting to be held in January 1952.

The Grand Secretary presented a petition for the formation of a lodge at Lundar to be called the "Harry Woods Lodge." It was decided to recommend to the Grand Master that he issue the necessary dispensation for its formation. R.W. Bro. A. R. Dick, reported in writing that he had inspected the new Temple at Roland and found it a structure well worthy of dedication.

A letter was received from the Royal Alexandra Hotel re charges that would be made in the future for rooms used at the Annual Communication. The action of the Grand Secretary in making a tentative reservation for the 1953 Communication was approved, and he was instructed to obtain a schedule of the room rates which formerly had been provided free. Reports were received from a number of Standing Committees. The Grand Master reported briefly on the Banff Conference and remarked that he was more than ever convinced of its great value. The Deputy Grand Master referred to the honor conferred upon the Grand Master at the Banff Conference in his election as President of the 1952 Conference.

MEETING OF NOVEMBER 16th, 1951

The President presided, with 35 members present.

At the request of the President, the members stood for a moment in silence to the memory of two members who had passed on since the September meeting—M.W. Bro. Peter T. Pilkey and R.W. Bro. R. M. Muckle, fine brethren who will be greatly missed.

The Grand Secretary read letters from the Royal Alexandra Hotel relative to the charges for rooms. The Finance Committee and the Committee on Grand Lodge Arrangements were authorized to make the best possible arrangements. Following the report of the Committee on Research and Education W. Bro. Boyle referred to an article in "Freemasonry" with regard to wearing of the Apron. The Grand Master said that gradually more members were wearing their aprons outside their jackets and that he felt in time all would be doing so. The Chairman of the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry presented a lengthy report on the meeting with the District Deputy Grand Masters. This report will appear in some detail in the Annual report of that Committee. The report of the Committee on Constitution and Revision was debated. The report dealt with the proposal of M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas that changes be made in the size and election of the Board, half the elected members to represent Greater Winnipeg, and half, the remainder of this Grand Jurisdiction. M.W. Bro. Douglas finally asked that the proposed Amendment be withdrawn. The Board did not agree to complete abandonment of the matter and gave its approval to the general principles of the report.

SPECIAL MEETING DECEMBER 19th, 1951

The Vice-president presided with 11 members present.

This was a Special Meeting called to pass a resolution with respect to the will of the late Andrew Brown. The Resolution was regularly moved by M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence, seconded by W. Bro. A. E. Boyle and carried.

MEETING OF JANUARY 18th, 1952

The President presided with 33 members present.

The members stood for a moment in silence to the memory of another valued member who had passed to the Grand Lodge Above, in the person of M.W. Bro. Ben. C. Parker.

The Grand Secretary reported that progress was being made in the finalizing of the Andrew Brown Estate and that a cheque for $1,000.00 had been paid regarding the remainder interest in the land—S.W. ¼ 11-12-9.

R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy reported that title to the closed Shellmouth Lodge property was now in the name of the Grand Lodge and asked that the necessary legalizing resolution be passed. Said Resolution was read and passed. Plans for the new lodge building being erected by Fort Prince of Wales Lodge No. 161 at Churchill were received and approved. The Report of the Special Committee on the duties of the Grand Secretary and Executive Secretary was received and adopted. In brief, Sub-sections "b-f-g-i and j" of Section 81 of the Constitution are now duties of the Grand Secretary. All the other Sub-sections are the duties of the Executive Secretary.

M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald gave a detailed outline of the Employees' Pension Plan. The report was debated, with clarification of certain points, and then adopted. R.W. Bro. Mowat outlined the cost and financial data necessary to take care of the provisions of said Pension Plan and submitted the Finance Committee's report in this regard. The Report was approved and adopted. Quite lengthy interim reports were received from the Committees on Research and Education and the Condition of Freemasonry.

MEETING OF MARCH 21st, 1952

The President presided with 32 members present.

M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence reported on the progress being made in clearing up the Estate of the late Bro. Andrew Brown. R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy reported in detail as to the final disposition of the property of the defunct Shellmouth Lodge.

The Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. Coddington, placed before the Board petitions to form two new Lodges, one at Kenton to be known as Woodworth Lodge and one in Fort Garry to be known as Friendship Lodge. It was decided to recommend to the Grand Master that he issue the necessary dispensations.

The action of Ophir Lodge No. 112 in disposing of certain properties was approved. Reports were received from a number of Standing Committees which dealt with the Library, Area Meetings, Speakers, Benevolence and Finance. Approval was given the Investment Committee for the sale of $12,000.00 worth of Bonds and the purchase of some $18,000.00 from the Proceeds of the sale and from donations received, including the Andrew Brown estate.

R.W. Bro. J. C. Bate, member of the Board and Secretary of Killarney Lodge No. 50 was commended for informing the brethren of his Lodge, through the monthly summons that a printed copy of the papers presented at the Banff Conference was available to the members. The Committee on Constitution and Revision reported that due to great differences of opinion with regard to the proposed changes in the election of Board members, no amendment would be submitted in this connection at present.

MEETING OF MAY 2nd, 1952

The President presided with 33 members present.

The members stood in silence for a moment of memory of M.W. Bro. George Hunter, whose passing to the Grand Lodge Above had occurred since the last Board Meeting.

The Grand Secretary reported that a further donation of some 43 Class "A" non-voting Preferred Shares in the United Grain Growers Ltd. had been received from the Estate of the late Andrew Brown. On motion it was agreed that they should be sold and the proceeds invested in Dominion of Canada bonds. The Special Committee on the printing of the Grand Lodge Proceedings reported progress and was given authority to enter into a contract for the 1952 edition. The Grand Master reported on the success of the three Area Meetings held at Deloraine, Wellwood and Russell. He suggested that the Committee on Research and Education continue its good work in planning programs for future Area Meetings.

The Board gave consideration to a letter received from W. Bro. Frank Williams asking that he be given permission to publish an enlarged "Masonry in Manitoba." It was the decision of the Board that the present editorial staff and set-up of "Masonry in Manitoba" was very satisfactory, that W. Bro. Williams' letter should be acknowledged and that he be notified that nothing could be done at the present with regard to his request.

The Grand Secretary reported that progress was being made towards the completion of the Masonic Flood Relief Fund. M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald said he felt very sorry for the flooded sections of the United States, Saskatchewan and Alberta, and wondered if we could not help in some practical way. There was general agreement that something should be done, but difference of opinion as to how it could be done. It was decided, finally, to write the Masonic Service Association of the United States and the Grand Lodges of Alberta and Saskatchewan asking for information as to how we could be of assistance.

Delegates were appointed to the Annual Banff Conference in September. Final reports for the year were received from the following Standing Committees: Research and Education, and Grand Lodge Library; Condition of Freemasonry; Foreign Relations; Correspondence; Finance; Benevolence; Investments and Constitution and Revision. Also the Reports of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer.

MEETING OF JUNE 4th, 1952

The President presided with 38 members present. The Grand Secretary reported on the correspondence with the United States Masonic Service Association and the Grand Lodge of Alberta regarding Flood relief. The letters received, indicated that no damage had been sustained by the Lodges in the areas mentioned, that they did not wish to take care of themselves.

Final reports were received from the following Standing Committees: Research and Education including the Library; Jurisprudence; Fraternal Dead; and the Board of General Purposes.

The Grand Secretary tabled a full report of the receipts and disbursements of the Flood Relief Fund. A Petition from Harry Woods Lodge U.D. asking for a Charter was received, and the application was approved.

Throughout the year, your Board has given careful consideration to all business brought before it, and its Committees have all given faithful and interested service.

Fraternally submitted.

GORDON A. McMORRAN,
President.

This report was presented by R.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran, (27) President of the Board of General purposes who moved its adoption, seconded by R.W. Bro. H. H. Gray (141). Carried.

REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:

I beg to submit to you the Seventy-seventh Annual Report of the Grand Secretary for the year ended March 31st, 1952.

Copies of the Proceedings of the Adjourned Communication of Grand Lodge held on June 13th and 14th, 1951, were prepared and mailed to each of the Constituent Lodges, to the Officers of Grand Lodge, the members of the Board of General Purposes, and to the Grand Lodges and their Representatives with whom we are in fraternal relationship. Copies were also supplied to members of the Craft making application for same. As reported last year, I am pleased to say that the interest in securing copies of the Proceedings by members of the Craft is still manifest by the number of requests we have had.

Warning Circulars have been prepared in accordance with the decision of Grand Lodge and mailed to constituent lodges and other Bodies of Freemasonry under numbers 76A and 76B.

Certificates for Grand Lodge Officers, Past District Deputy Grand Masters and Master Masons, Life Members and Past Masters have been prepared and presented to individuals entitled to same, or forwarded promptly to the Secretaries of the lodges concerned.

I am most happy to again express my thanks to the Secretaries of the Constituent Lodges for their co-operation with our Office and for their co-operation in the prompt forwarding of the Semi-Annual Reports. We find that reports are, on the whole, more accurate, allowing of course for the large number of new Secretaries in the lodges this year, and the new encumbent of the office not being altogether familiar with the routine required, but on the whole, the reports have been most satisfactory.

The Returns on Form 42 show a gross increase in membership of 909 and a net gain of 346 as compared with a gross gain of 1032 and a net gain of 489 in 1950. Details and analysis follow:

Membership as at December 31st, 1950 **14,039**

	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951
Additions:					
Initiations	847	781	791	745	729
Re-Instatements	53	71	51	42	45
Affiliations	259	161	156	147	135
Charter Members U.D.				98	
	1159	1013	998	1032	909
Removals:					
By Demit	183	168	172	180	222
Suspended N.P.D.	48	67	75	113	112
Suspended U.M.C.	0	1	0	1	1
By Death	228	248	263	244	210
	459	484	510	538	545
Adjustments, less				5	18
Net Increase	700	529	495	489	346

Membership as at December 31st, 1951 **14,385**

The following table shows the Degrees conferred in the various lodges for the past five years:

Entered Apprentice	874	781	791	745	729
Fellow Craft	843	761	774	747	704
Master Mason	841	753	774	680	750
	2558	2295	2339	2172	2183

An analysis of the reports shows the following facts:

Suspension, N.P.D.:

63 Lodges have no suspensions for Non-Payment of Dues (66 in 1950).

47 Lodges show 112 Suspensions for Non-Payment of Dues (44 Lodges showed 113 members in 1950).

Suspensions U.M.C.:

1 in 1951, the same number as in 1950.

Membership:

68 Lodges show an increase in membership, compared to 76 Lodges in in 1950.

31 Lodges show a decrease in membership, compared to 22 Lodges in 1950.

11 Lodges show membership unchanged, compared to 12 in 1950.

14 Lodges had no Initiations compared to 13 in 1950.

10 Lodges conferred no Degrees at all, compared to 7 in 1950.

Further details may be gathered from the Statistical Table which appears alsewhere in these Proceedings.

DISPENSATIONS ISSUED—April 30th, 1951, to March 31st, 1952.

	1951	1952
To hold Joint Installation	13	11
To attend Divine Service in Regalia	22	34
To change Lodge Premises	1	1
To change place of meeting	6	8
Special Election and Installation of Officers	11	11
To confer degrees after receiving waivers	3	7
To hold District Meetings	12	13
For modified Examination	1	1
Special Funeral Service	1	2
Conferring Degrees within specified time	0	2
To waive residence qualifications	3	0
To act as Hosts at Area Meetings	0	1
Special Emergent Meetings	2	2
	75	94

Amendments to By-Laws:

Regular Meetings	Lodges 11, 25, 27, 77, 115, 122
Honorary Membership	Lodge 77
Life Membership	Lodges 11, 13, 24, 113, 122, 131, 143
Fees	Lodges 6, 71, 122, 140, 144
Dues	Lodges 3, 6, 7, 10, 13, 14, 15, 30, 62, 67, 77, 122, 123, 136, 153, 158, 162
Committee on General Purposes	Lodges 24, 143
Complete Revision	Lodges 36, 141, 142, 155, 161

Recorded elsewhere in these Proceedings are the names of 210 brethren who have died during the past year. Their passing is deeply mourned. We make special mention of three Past Grand Masters who have passed to the Grand Lodge Above in the person of M.W. Bro. Peter T. Pilkey, M.W. Bro. Ben. C. Parker and M.W. Bro. George Hunter.

In conclusion, may I express my sincere thanks to the members of the Board, Committee Chairmen and all the Grand Lodge Officers for their assistance, and again my thanks to the Secretaries of the Constituent Lodges for their real co-operation, and wish again to remind them that it is the wish of the Grand Secretary's Office to render every assistance possible to our Lodge Secretaries, particularly in respect to rulings and other matters requiring attention.

To the members of the Office staff, my grateful thanks for their assistance and harmonious relationship at all times.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY CODDINGTON,
Grand Secretary.

This report was presented by M.W. Bro. Coddington (1), Grand Secretary, who moved that it be received and referred to the Committee on the Grand Secretary's Report, seconded by R.W. Bro. F. B. Lynes (71). Carried.

REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through the Grand Treasurer, presents the following statements covering transactions for the year ending March 31st, 1952.

General Fund:

Exhibit "A"—Balance Sheet.
Exhibit "B"—Statement of Income and Expenditure.
Schedule "1"—Accounts Receivable.

Benevolent Endowment Fund:

Exhibit "C"—Balance Sheet.
Exhibit "D"—Statement of Income and Expenditure.

Beneficiary Fund:

Exhibit "E"—Balance Sheet.
Exhibit "F"—Statement of Income and Expenditure.
Schedule "2"—Statement of Beneficiary Fund Payments.

Exhibit "G"—Consolidated Balance Sheet.

All accounts have been audited and found correct by the Grand Lodge Auditors whose Certificate is appended hereto.

I am again pleased to report that the state of the finances of Grand Lodge is a helathy one; all insurances held by Grand Lodge are up-to-date; bonds in order, interest collected and deposited; and the Benevolent Fund has been greatly increased by a bequest from the late Andrew Brown of Bagot, Manitoba, which Bonds have been checked by the Auditor. All details of the financial aspect of Grand Lodge will be found in the Auditor's Report.

It has been a real pleasure to once again come before you as Grand Treasurer, I have enjoyed my work and my contacts with the Grand Lodge Officers and Members of our Grand Lodge.

Respectfully submitted,

W. PERCY WHITE,
Grand Treasurer.

This report was presented by R.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4), Grand Treasurer, who moved its adoption, seconded by R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat (139). Carried.

April 14, 1952.

To the Most Worshipful The Grand Master, Officers and Members,
Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.,
Winnipeg, Manitoba.

In accordance with your instructions we have audited the accounts of the Grand Secretary and Treasurer of The Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M., for the year ended March 31, 1952, and now present the undernoted Financial Statements.

General Fund:
- Exhibit "A"—Balance Sheet.
- Exhibit "B"—Statement of Income and Expenditure.
- Schedule "1"—Accounts Receivable.

Benevolent Endowment Fund:
- Exhibit "C"—Balance Sheet.
- Exhibit "D"—Statement of Income and Expenditure.

Beneficiary Fund:
- Exhibit "E"—Balance Sheet.
- Exhibit "F"—Statement of Income and Expenditure.
- Schedule "2"—Statement of Beneficiary Fund Payments.

Exhibit "G"—Consolidated Balance Sheet.

Cash in Bank:

The balances in Bank were confirmed by certificates obtained by us direct from the bank.

Investments:

The securities representing the investments were inspected and found in order.

We would like to take this opportunity to state that we found the records in excellent order.

Yours truly,

ARMSTRONG & WILLIAMS,
Chartered Accounts.

Exhibit "A"

BALANCE SHEET
GENERAL FUND

As at March 31, 1952

ASSETS

Current:		
Cash in Canadian Bank of Commerce	$13,586.97	
Cash in Hand (Petty)	22.67	
Accounts Receivable (Per Schedule "1")	178.65	
		$13,788.29
Inventories:		
Supplies and Stock (Valued at)		1.00
Investment:		
Dominion of Canada Bonds 1966—3% (Par Value $10,000.00)		10,500.00
Equipment:		
Furniture and Fixtures Regalia Library and Fixtures Valued at		1.00
		$24,290.29

LIABILITIES

Current:	
Library Book Fund	$ 182.61
Surplus (Per Exhibit "B")	24,107.68
	$24,290.29

We have audited the accounts of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba A.F. & A.M. for the year ended March 31, 1952 and we have obtained all the information and explanations required.

After due consideration we have formed an independent opinion as to the position of the Corporation.

In our opinion, so formed, and to the best of our information, and the explanations given to us, we certify that the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up and sets forth fairly and truly the state of the affairs of the Corporation as at March 31, 1952.

All transactions of the Corporation that have come within our notice have been within the objects and powers of the Corporation to the best of our information and belief.

ARMSTRONG & WILLIAMS,
Chartered Accountants.

Winnipeg, Man., April 14, 1952.

Exhibit "B"

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE
GENERAL FUND
For the Year Ended March 31, 1952

INCOME

Dues			$20,454.75
Initiations			1,468.00
M.M. Certificates			1,481.00
L.M. Certificates			127.00
P.M. Certificates			94.00
Dispensations			193.00
Bond Interest			300.00
Stock			5.84
			$24,123.59

EXPENDITURE

Salaries		$ 6,732.00	
Grand Lodge Communication:			
Printing Proceedings, etc.	$1,504.32		
Other Expense	1,114.27		
		2,618.59	
Masonry in Manitoba		2,015.02	
Annuities		1,878.10	
Library Maintenance		1,383.67	
Rent		1,361.00	
Grand Master		705.65	
Furniture and Fixtures		595.00	
Board Meetings Expense		821.30	
Grand Secretary and Grand Lodge Officers		393.83	
Consecration and Constitution		393.43	
Area Meetings		363.81	
Stationery, Office Expense and Supplies		649.99	
Regalia		383.51	
Conferences:			
Banff	$364.45		
Washington	42.98		
All Canada	287.06		
		694.49	
Audit		300.00	
Postage		275.09	
Certificates, M.M.		227.70	
Certificates, P.M.		54.00	
Telephone and Telegraph		147.90	
Flowers		127.89	
Bissett Trip		121.75	
Masonic Relief Association		101.25	
Insurance		100.30	
Christmas Expense		85.40	
Moving		79.00	
Unemployment Insurance		73.62	
Condition of Free Masonry		47.80	
Masonic Research and Education		41.75	
Exchange		37.75	
Memorials		33.00	
Safety Deposit Box		25.00	
Fidelity Bonds		36.16	
Miscellaneous		339.01	
			23,243.76
Excess of Income over Expenditure			879.83
Surplus as at March 31, 1951			23,227.85
Surplus as at March 31, 1952			$24,107.68

Schedule "1"

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

GENERAL FUND

As at March 31, 1952

No.	Name of Lodge	Amount Dr.	Amount Cr.
1.	Prince Rupert's Lodge	$ 12.00	
2.	Lisgar Lodge	....	$ 4.50
3	Ancient Landmark	.20	
4	St. John's	1.00	
6.	Emerson	4.00	
7.	Assiniboine	32.80	
8.	King Solomon	....	1.50
13.	Morden	....	1.80
29.	Carberry	1.00	
30.	Manitou	....	1.00
36.	Doric	10.50	
40.	Deloraine	.60	
51.	Treherne	....	.70
62.	Russell	1.50	
64.	Composite	....	.75
70.	Shiloh	....	.35
71.	Crystal	2.50	
74.	Elkhorn	....	1.15
75.	Gothic	1.20	
82.	Cypress	1.85	
84.	Hamiota	7.30	
103.	Crescent	3.20	
107.	Lansdowne	....	1.80
109.	Swan Lake	10.80	
110.	Kilwinning	2.00	
111.	Acacia	....	.50
112.	Ophir	4.00	
115.	Rivers	1.90	
118.	Mound	2.00	
119.	Norwood	1.55	
120.	Penza	4.00	
122.	Roblin	....	10.65
123.	Transcona	.75	
128.	Victory	1.00	
130.	Fort Garry	.90	
137.	Lord Selkirk	15.45	
138.	Windsor	10.00	
141.	Tuscan	10.35	
143.	Mount Sinai	19.10	
144.	Fort Osborne	1.00	
150.	Cartwright	2.00	
154.	Pine Falls	2.00	
160.	Starbuck	10.00	
162.	Ashlar	10.55	
U.D.	Harry Woods	14.35	
		$203.35	$24.70
		24.70	
		$178.65	

Exhibit "C"

BALANCE SHEET

BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND

As at March 31, 1952

ASSETS

	Par Value		
Current:			
Cash in Canadian Bank of Commerce			$ 1,136.75
Investments			
Province of Manitoba Debentures	$ 54,000.00	$ 53,876.25	
Province of Saskatchewan Debentures	11,000.00	11,000.00	
Dominion of Canada Bonds	191,300.00	191,896.13	
Canadian National Railway Bonds	35,000.00	35,098.75	
City of Winnipeg Debentures	37,000.00	34,780.00	
Ontario Hydro Electric	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Canadian West Indies Steamship Limited	1,000.00	1,000.00	
			328,651.13
			$329,787.88

LIABILITIES

Surplus (Per Exhibit "D")	$329,787.88
	$329,787.88

We have audited the accounts of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F & A.M., for the year ended March 31, 1952 and we have obtained all the information and explanations required.

After due consideration we have formed an independent opinion as to the position of the Corporation.

In our opinion, so formed, and to the best of our information and the explanations given to us, we certify that the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up and sets forth fairly and truly the state of the affairs of the Corporation as at March 31, 1952.

All transactions of the Corporation that have come within our notice have been within the objects and powers of the Corporation to the best of our information and belief.

ARMSTRONG & WILLIAMS,
Chartered Accountants.

Winnipeg, Man., April 14, 1952.

Exhibit "D"

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND

For the year ended March 31, 1952

INCOME

Donations Lodges	$ 2,764.49
Donation A. Brown Estate	18,751.63
Life Members Fees	580.00
	$ 22,096.12

EXPENDITURE

Exchange	$ 8.99
Excess of Income over Expenditure	$ 22,087.13
Surplus as at March 31, 1951	307,700.75
Surplus as at March 31, 1952	$329,787.88

Exhibit "E"

BALANCE SHEET

BENEFICIARY FUND

As at March 31, 1952

ASSETS

Current:			
Cash in Canadian Bank of Commerce:			
Savings Account		$12,002.63	
Current Account		302.05	
			$12,304.68
Investments	**Par Value**		
Dominion of Canada Bonds	$38,900.00	$38,900.00	
Province of Manitoba	10,000.00	10,125.00	
Canadian National Railways	7,000.00	6,973.75	
			55,998.75
			$68,303.43

LIABILITIES

Surplus (Per Exhibit "F")	$68,303.43

We have audited the accounts of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba A.F. & A.M. for the year ended March 31, 1952 and we have obtained all the information and explanations required.

After due consideration we have formed an independent opinion as to the position of the Corporation.

In our opinion, so formed, and to the best of our information, and the explanations given to us, we certify that the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up and sets forth fairly and truly the state of the affairs of the Corporation as at March 31, 1952.

All transactions of the Corporation that have come within our notice have been within the objects and powers of the Corporation to the best of our information and belief.

ARMSTRONG & WILLIAMS,
Chartered Accountants.

Winnipeg, Man., April 14, 1952.

Exhibit "F"

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

BENEFICIARY FUND

For the year ended March 31, 1952

INCOME

Interest—Bonds and Debentures		$12,439.55
Interest—Bank		51.59
		$12,491.14

EXPENDITURE

Beneficiary Fund (Per Schedule "2")	$12,657.35	
Postage, Printing and Stationery	300.00	
		12,957.35
Excess of Expenditure over Income		$ 466.21
Surplus as at March 31, 1951		68,769.64
Surplus as at March 31, 1952		$68,303.43

Schedule "2"

STATEMENT OF BENEFICIARY FUND PAYMENTS

For the year ended March 31, 1952

No.	Name of Lodge	On Account of	Amount
1.	Prince Rupert's	Mrs. W. N. L.	$ 245.00
1.	Prince Rupert's	Mrs. N. T.	270.00
1.	Prince Rupert's	Mrs. E. L. S.	240.20
1.	Prince Rupert's	Mrs. A. B.	60.00
2.	Lisgar	Mrs. F. J.	125.00
2.	Lisgar	Mrs. S. A. K.	365.15
3.	Ancient Landmark	Mrs. W. McC.	185.15
3.	Ancient Landmark	F. M. M.	305.15
3.	Ancient Landmark	Mrs. M. G. O.	245.00
4.	St. John's	Mrs. F. J. B.	125.00
4.	St. John's	Mrs. J. W.	365.00
4.	St. John's	Mrs. J. M.	315.00
8.	King Solomon	J. H. S.	60.00
10.	Northern Light	Mrs. E. M. Q.	185.00
14.	Prince of Wales	H. K.	125.15
24.	Neepawa	Mrs. R. A. T.	225.15
24.	Neepawa	T. T.	100.00
24.	Neepawa	Mrs. R. E. T.	85.15
24.	Neepawa	Mrs. A. C. K.	165.15
25.	Ionic	D. M.	160.00
30.	Manitou	Mrs. V. E. A. W.	120.00
39.	Birtle	J. M. H.	145.00
40.	Deloraine	T. L.	485.15
40.	Deloraine	W. H. M.	275.15
43.	Lebanon	Mrs. M. J. Y.	305.15
44.	Oak Lake	W. B.	185.15
44.	Oak Lake	H. F.	365.00
68.	Vermilion	Mrs. H. B.	245.15
68.	Vermilion	Mrs. W. H. L.	5.00
70.	Shiloh	Mrs. H. McC.	185.15
84.	Hamiota	Mrs. J. R.	125.00
90.	Midlothian	Mrs. M. C.	119.15
90.	Midlothian	Mrs. M. M. W.	245.15
93.	King Edward	Mrs. L. L. D.	305.00
93.	King Edward	Miss M. A.	425.00
94.	Hiram	F. H. McE.	125.15
100.	Robbie Burns	W. E. J. B.	245.15
103.	Crescent	Mrs. M. G.	185.15
104.	Reston	G. J. W.	75.00
111.	Acacia	R. G.	365.00
113.	Tweed	Mrs. D. E. E.	125.15
113.	Tweed	Mrs. J. G.	65.00
119.	Norwood	Mrs. V. H.	125.00
119.	Norwood	Mrs. F. A. McD.	125.00
119.	Norwood	Mrs. S. C. T.	365.00
124.	The Pas	Mrs. A. G. H.	90.00
129.	Shellmouth	A. B. A.	305.15
134.	Stony Mountain	Mrs. M. A. P.	365.00
	Carried forward		$10,047.20

Schedule "2"
(Continued)

STATEMENT OF BENEFICIARY FUND PAYMENTS

For the year ended March 31, 1952

No.	Name of Lodge	On Account of	Amount
	Brought forward		$10,047.20
134.	Stony Mountain	Mrs. H. S.	305.00
137.	Lord Selkirk	Mrs. J. R.	245.00
138.	Windsor	H. L.	85.00
139.	Beaver	Mrs. C. S.	125.00
140.	Meridian	C. S.	365.00
148.	Seven Oaks	Mrs. E. W.	155.00
151.	The Dormer	Mrs. H. S.	365.00
153.	Flin Flon	Mrs. B. H.	365.15
	Benevolence		600.00
			$12,657.35

Exhibit "G"

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

As at March 31, 1952

ASSETS

Current:			
Cash in Bank		$ 27,028.40	
Cash on Hand		22.67	
Accounts Receivable		178.65	
			$ 27,229.72
Inventory Supplies and Stock Valued at			1.00
Equipment, Furniture and Fixtures, Regalia, Library and Fixtures Valued at			1.00
Investments:	Par Value		
Province of Manitoba Debentures	$ 64,000.00	$ 64,001.25	
City of Winnipeg Debentures	37,000.00	34,780.00	
Province of Saskatchewan Debentures	11,000.00	11,000.00	
Dominion of Canada Bonds	240,200.00	241,296.13	
Canadian National Railway Bonds	42,000.00	42,072.50	
Ontario Hydro Electric	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Canadian West Indies Steamship Limited	1,000.00	1,000.00	
			395,149.88
			$422,381.60

LIABILITIES

Current:	
Library Book Fund	$ 182.61
Surplus	422,198.99
	$422,381.60

We have audited the accounts of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M., for the year ended March 31, 1952 and we have obtained all the information and explanations required.

After due consideration we have formed an independent opinion as to the position of the Corporation.

In our opinion, so formed, and to the best of our information, and the explanations given to us, we certify that the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up and sets forth fairly and truly the state of the affairs of the Corporation as at March 31, 1952.

All transactions of the Corporation that have come within our notice have been within the objects and powers of the Corporation to the best of our information and belief.

ARMSTRONG & WILLIAMS,
Chartered Accountants.

Winnipeg, Man., April 14, 1952.

MOTION RE MASONIC DISTRICTS

It was moved by M.W. Bro. H. Coddington (1) seconded by R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat (139) that the Masonic Districts as at present constituted, remain unchanged for the ensuing year, and that the following four lodges remain under the supervision of the M.W. Grand Master—The Pas Lodge No. 124, Flin Flon Lodge No. 153, Rice Lake Lodge No. 157 and Fort Prince of Wales Lodge No. 161. Carried.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MASONIC RESEARCH AND EDUCATION

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:

On behalf of this Committee I have the pleasure of submitting herewith the report covering the fiscal year 1951-52.

The activity in our library will be partially understood by a perusal of the supplementary report prepared by the Grand Librarian, which forms a part of our report.

We cannot fully evaluate the service rendered to the membership by what we read in a report. Throughout the year our Grand Librarian has rendered invaluable assistance to those who sought his help in the preparation of addresses. Not only have these brethren obtained the necessary source material covering the subject but in many cases the complete text has been furnished through the kind offices of R.W. Brother Woodside.

Early in the year we set up a sub-committee whose function it was to arrange the purchase of additional volumes for the library shelves. We succeeded in making several accessions and these are now available to our readers. We are conscious of the fact that many other works ought to be secured but this phase of the work will be taken care of in due season.

The matter of the Area Meetings engaged the attention of your Committee and in order to make a wise and satisfactory choice as to the locations a second sub-committee was formed to make a survey and submit recommendations. It was arranged that three such meetings be held in 1952. Also, inasmuch as experience has taught us, the custom of holding Area Meetings in May was inconvenient. The dates generaly fall quite close to the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge. For this reason the month of April was chosen. This change was beneficial to all concerned. Not only were all three meetings well attended but the weather conditions were perfect.

Our schedule consisted in the meeting held at Deloraine on April 9th, with Deloraine Lodge No. 40, as host; followed one week later by a memorable meeting at Wellwood, April 16th, with St. Andrew's Lodge No. 116 as host; the third and final Area Meeting was held at Russell on April 23rd, Russell Lodge No. 62 being a well-pleased host at an outstanding gathering.

While the kindly remarks of the Grand Master are appreciated, nevertheless, the finest tribute of approval came from the different towns in which we met. Ample proof has been received that the 1952 Area Meetings were an unqualified success and did accomplish something.

Your Committee are completely sold on this particular activity and respectfully urge the Committee that follows us to continue the work.

Now let us add a few words regarding "Masonry in Manitoba." The membership at large know that we issue this publication each month with the exception of July and August. It is not generally known that each issue consists of approximately 15,500 copies. With a membership that is constantly on the increase it is necessary that the monthly total be adjusted month by month in order to send the news to the new members.

The cost to Grand Lodge for the current fiscal year was slightly in excess of $2,000.00. A brief exercise in simple arithmetic will indicate that for the modest cost of 13.3 cents per annum, your Grand Lodge prepares, prints and distributes to every member registered on our lodge books, ten monthly issues of "Masonry in Manitoba." The only expense incurred is that spent for printing and postage, there is no salary expense whatever, the editorial work is purely a labor of love.

Your Committee believe that all Lodge Secretaries mail a copy of the publication with the regular notice of meetings each month. If this plan is not being followed then particulars ought to be reported to Grand Secretary. It is hoped that no secretary distributes our monthly publication by handing them to the brethren in attendance at the regular or other meetings. They must not be regarded as a local circular or dodger advertising the latest thriller at the picture house.

At the last Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, the matter of publishing in book form the addresses delivered by the Grand Historian, over the years, was referred to this Committee. The matter has received careful and thoughtful consideration. A letter was sent to all the lodges advising them of the project and enlisting their assistance in determining to what extent the membership was interested. The result of this enquiry was not encouraging. It does not justify this Committee in committing Grand Lodge to the very heavy expense necessary for the initial outlay. Your Committee unanimously recommend that Grand Lodge be asked to rescind the resolution or resolutions now on the records in connection with this matter.

For the past few years this Committee has endeavoured to enlist the interest and enthusiasm of lodge officers in the standing offer to provide speakers on Masonic subjects. For some unknown reason our Grand Lodge, with more than 14,000 members, does not seem to be blessed with an abundance of brethren who are prepared to place their services at the disposal of the Speakers' Bureau. We do, however, want to pay tribute to the faithful few who are ever willing and ready, even on short notice, to visit a lodge and deliver an address. Throughout the year every request has been taken care of. Fortunately, the demands have not been onerous.

We add this comment regarding this important activity. Will the brethren who are willing to have their names added to our list of speakers please register with the chairman of the Committee. Tell us what subject or subjects you are prepared to deal with.

And a word of warning to the officers of our Lodges. Our experience has been that a request for a speaker generally comes in when the notice of the next meeting is being handed to the printer. It's a case of life or death. The details must be included in the notice. Can we get a speaker? Who will it be? What will he speak about? All of this does not sound like wise planning, but it is the plain truth. It happens over and over again.

Your Committee wants to assist any lodge who wish us to arrange a speaker. Might we suggest that when one is wanted then arrangements ought to be made at least two months in advance of the meeting date. This will enable the speaker to adapt his message to the particular lodge; to the circumstance of the meeting; or to the event, if any, being observed.

We do need more speakers. We do intend to carry on as best we can, and we will appreciate a bit of co-operation.

Fraternally submitted on behalf of the Committee.

WM. DOUGLAS,
Chairman.

REPORT OF THE GRAND LIBRARIAN

To Most Worshipful Brother William Douglas, Chairman of the Committee on Masonic Research and Education.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brother:

Having forwarded the statistical part of the Library's activities together with the volumes purchased and now on the shelves, and which I presume is incorporated in your report, I shall content myself with some vital observations which appeal to the Librarian, and which have emphasized themselves many times over:

The Library, I think, constitutes one of the greatest institutions of modern society. There are thousands of persons, who by force of circumstance, financial, educational, and limited opportunities, cannot avail themselves of the research, the scholarship and the findings of the brilliant men and women who have had the opportunities of education and research. The Public Library has made all this available and practically without cost—as Dawson has said, "A good library contains the diary of the human race."

The Masonic Library is a Technical One, in that the books are not of a general character, but are confined to Masonry and subjects relating thereto. This embraces the mystic philosophy of Masonry, History, Encyclopaedias, Dictionaries and all kinds of expository writings with practical interpretations thereof. These represent the investigation and mature thoughts of great men—"from time immemorial." Addison has said "Through books are the legacies which great minds have left to mankind, which are delivered from generation to generation as gifts to posterity of those who are yet unborn." With us, they are "the golden vessels of the Temple, burning lamps, ever to be held in our hands." (Richard deBerry.)

The Selection of Books is a difficult task when your Library is so limited by reason of it being technical. Your Librarian has reviewed with care all catalogues coming to his desk. He has kept in mind the character and needs of the men whom he should represent as Librarian, as well as the ideals they should seek to attain. It is a serious task to put a book into a man's hand and by so doing, assure him that he will therein find the answer to his quest. I like him to think as Channing has said, "through these books, we enjoy intercourse with, and the inspiration of superior minds. In the best books, great men talk to us, giving us their most precious thoughts and pouring their souls into ours." How important the selection of the proper book to put in the hands of a Mason!

To Stimulate Reading is a difficult thing, even amongst men who profess this one idea. Today, reading for profit and mental development is hardly the attractive practice of the age. Why? Because the picture show, the comic strip, the cartoon, the digests and our huge system of pre-digested reading and thinking has in large measure, eliminated all serious and profitable reading that demands the exercise of the brain. During the year, I had one request for Carlyle's "French Revolution" and one for "The Life and Times of Josephus," one for the "History of the Crusades" and one for the "Life of Bonaparte." That is, of the scores of readers, I had only four who wanted brain teasers. The majority wanted something in paragraphic form which they could possess at a glance. Serious problems which take time to wade through do not attract the rank and file. This is the difficult problem that the book world faces.

Research Work may not be easy but it is profitable. As Librarian, I have assisted brethren in the research of over 80 subjects and the building up of 14 addresses. This I considered was a large part of the most valuable service I rendered as Librarian. Brethren do not know the Library, and they need guidance of every kind. Milton remarked that a "good book is the precious life blood of great minds and spirits, embalmed and treasured upon paper to a life beyond." In the transfusion of blood, the patient needs the practiced physician and nurse. So the young Mason must have the assistance of the best books and the guidance of someone who knows books and their authors.

During the year, the Librarian was off duty for a month, but the efficient Office Staff with the fine help of R.W. Bro. R. Fletcher Argue attended to the Library with both skill and cheer, to the satisfaction of our entire clientele.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

GEORGE A. WOODSIDE,
Grand Librarian.

Addendum:

Library Open	240 days
Books	1,432
Reference	345
Circulating	428
Clientele	286
Proceedings	168
Loaned	80
Added	28

These reports were presented by M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4), who moved their adoption, seconded by R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat (139). Carried.

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON MASONIC FLOOD RELIEF FUND

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members,
Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

My report of 1951 was of an interim character by reason of the fact that there remained on hand, claims and other appeals to be adjusted and allotments to be made with respect to claims on hand. Now, after a period of two years, your Committee feel that all cases have been taken care of and the Fund should now be closed, that is, with respect to further payments to either individuals or lodges affected by the 1950 Flood.

As I pointed out in my 1951 report, the financial assistance rendered to this Grand Lodge, which made it possible for this Committee to carry out its duties successfully, came through the generous contributions made by the Grand Lodges of the United States, through the Masonic Service Association, a number of contributions received directly from American Grand Lodges as well as fine contributions from a number of the Grand Lodges in Canada, who realized the situation facing not only the brethren but the constituent lodges in the flood area. Attached to this report is a list of contributors and the recapitulation as at May 17th, 1952.

Regarding claims received from individual brethren, your Committee would like to point out that in all cases a very careful scrutiny was made of all payments, together with other monies received before any contribution was made from the Masonic Flood Relief Fund, and the payments so made, did, we are sure, greatly assist in the complete renovation of their premises.

As will be noted from the following statement, the larger portion of the fund went towards the rehabilitation of lodge premises, and it will be particularly noted that in the case of King Solomon Lodge No. 8 at Morris, that the amount contributed by this Fund, together with assistance received from other sources, enabled this lodge to erect a completely new building, after having disposed of the old building and using the existing site for their new lodge premises. In the cases of Emerson Lodge No. 6, Windsor Lodge No. 138 and Penza Lodge No. 120, donations were granted permitting them to restore their premises in such a manner as to make their members feel that it had acquired, through the wonderful generosity of our Sister Grand Jurisdictions, premises in better condition than prior to the Flood.

The Committee would like to quote from the many letters of thanks received from individual members and the lodges but they can best be summed up in a few words—in all cases the thought was expressed of their gratefulness for the assistance rendered, and that such kindness coming at such a time, clearly emphasized the Principles of our Craft in that spirit of Brotherly Love, Relief and Charity.

You will note that the summary shows contributions received from 48 Grand Lodges and Lodges, and assistance was given to 73 individuals and 4 constituent lodges, that the total amount received was $70,735.67, disbursed, $47,744.71 leaving a bank balance of $22,990.96. With regard to the bank balance on hand, your Committee do not feel justified in making any recommendation as to the disposal of this amount, but would appreciate it if the Board of General Purposes would appoint a special Committee to look into this matter and make a special report as to the disposal of same.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY CODDINGTON, Chairman
Special Committee on Masonic Flood Relief Fund.

MASONIC FLOOD RELIEF FUND

Recapitulation to May 17th, 1952

Contributions—

Which included $2,057.00 returned by Windsor No. 138, they having received this sum from the Manitoba Flood Relief Fund	$70,735.67

Disbursements—

4 Lodges—King Solomon No. 8	$12,545.79	
Emerson No. 6	8,189.00	
Windsor No. 138	6,648.29	
Penza No. 120	500.00	
	$27,883.08	
73 Individuals	19,846.68	
	$47,729.76	
Exchange on cheques	14.95	
		$47,744.71
Balance in Bank		$22,990.96

DONORS TO FLOOD FUND

Masonic Service Association

Grand Lodges of:

- Arizona
- Connecticut
- Connecticut—Scottish Rite Bodies
- District of Columbia
- Delaware
- Florida
- Idaho
- Illinois
- Indiana
- Iowa
- Kentucky
- Louisiana
- Maine
- Maryland
- Massachusetts
- Michigan
- Mississippi
- Missouri
- Nevada
- New Hampshire
- New Jersey
- New Mexico
- North Carolina
- North Dakota
- Ohio
- Oregon
- Pennsylvania
- Rhode Island
- South Carolina
- Utah (Foundation Fund)
- Utah—Consistory
- Vermont
- Virginia
- Washington
- Wisconsin
- Wyoming

and from:

U.S.—Grand Lodges of:

- Minnesota
- Arkansas
- Oklahoma
- Montana
- Massachusetts
- West Virginia

Canada—Grand Lodges of:

- British Columbia
- Canada (in Ontario)
- Nova Scotia
- Alberta
- Alberta (Constituent Lodges)

Individual Donations

Brethren:

- G. A. Woodside
- Ralph W. Stanford
- Sam Erickson
- Harry Gill
- W. F. Holman
- Ivan Amos

Lodges and Other Bodies:

- La Loge Renaissance (Montreal)
- Hennepin Lodge No. 4 (Minn.)
- Kinistino Lodge No. 1, Sask.
- Meridian Lodge No. 129, Alta.
- Kerrobert Lodge No. 90, Sask.
- Victory Lodge No. 94, Montreal
- Grand Chapter, O.E.S.—N.D.
- Wilson Lodge, Toronto

Manitoba:

Assiniboine No. 7
Stonewall No. 12
Lebanon No. 43
Killarney No. 50
Wawanesa No. 67
Shiloh No. 70
Crystal No. 71
Cypress No. 82
Hamiota No. 84
Reston No. 104
Kilwinning No. 110
Tweed No. 113
Norwood No. 119
Patricia No. 125
Favel No. 126
Sprague No. 132
Windsor No. 138
Harmony No. 142
The Dormer No. 151
Manitouwapa No. 156
Fenwick No. 158

RECIPIENTS

F. H. (1)	$300.00
Mrs. W. N. L. (1)	75.00
H. C. (1)	325.00
W. P. W. (4)	166.18
Mrs. B. (6)	100.00
Mrs. M. McD. (6)	150.00
Mrs. S. (6)	100.00
Mrs. F. T. (6)	50.00
W. A. F. (8)	310.00
Mrs. S. M. (8)	300.00
A. T. S. (8)	100.00
G. A. S. (8)	500.00
E. O. W. (19)	500.00
J. K. (93)	20.25
R. O. E. (93)	500.00
J. R. H. (114)	400.00
J. F. Y. (114)	700.00
S. C. T. (119)	300.00
J. F. (119)	300.00
Mrs. H. T. (119)	225.00
R. W. W. (120)	500.00
W. J. S. (120)	600.00
D. McH. (120)	600.00
C. W. G. (120)	325.00
W. A. (120)	400.00
B. H. W. (120)	400.00
W. A. M. (120)	200.00
F. G. (120)	300.00
A. G. F. (120)	200.00
R. G. H. (121)	300.00
W. G. F. (121)	200.00
W. E. J. (121)	300.00
W. P. (123)	50.00
J. M. G. (127)	250.00
Mrs. T. P. (131)	200.00
H. DeJ. (131)	350.00
J. C. W. (136)	$200.00
J. M. (136)	300.00
S. C. (136)	400.00
G. N. (136)	225.00
A. E. J. (136)	150.00
D. W. (136)	500.00
J. Y. (136)	175.00
E. P. T. (138)	250.00
W. A. S. (138)	800.00
J. R. M. (138)	450.00
N. D. S. (138)	800.00
J. O. (138)	100.00
M. J. H. (138)	50.00
C. H. H. (138)	75.00
W. S. (138)	50.00
W. H. (138)	50.00
W. J. (138)	75.00
W. B. T. (138)	75.00
J. H. (138)	50.00
E. M. (138)	50.00
J. S. W. (138)	50.00
R. C. P. (138)	50.00
S. P. (138)	75.00
J. J. A. (138)	150.00
L. B. (140)	300.00
C. H. W. (140)	300.00
A. T. W. (140)	100.00
L. P. (140)	250.00
Mrs. E. L. (140)	200.00
J. A. (141)	250.00
W. H. (141)	400.00
A. V. (143)	500.00
J. K. (143)	800.00
E. J. K. (144)	500.00
W. McC. (148)	150.00
W. S. C. (148)	250.00
W. B. G. (148)	100.00

This report was presented by M.W. Bro. H. Coddington (1), who moved its adoption, seconded by R.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4). Carried.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Brethren, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through the Committee on Foreign Relations begs to submit the following report:

Your Committee has reviewed a number of applications for establishment of Fraternal Relationships with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

Our usual enquiries in respect to their methods and status with other Masonic bodies have not advanced sufficiently to enable us to make any definite recommendation.

We extend our Fraternal Greetings and best wishes to all brethren who in the face of obvious difficulties are endeavoring to establish our beloved Order in many portions of the World, where its influence would undoubtedly contribute to harmony and stability.

Respectfully submitted,

NORMAN J. BLACK,
Chairman.

This report was presented by M.W. Bro. N. J. Black (3), who moved its adoption, seconded by M.W. Bro. D. S. Woods (90). Carried.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENCE

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through its Committee on Benevolence begs to submit herewith its Annual Report for the year ended March 31st, 1952.

During the year your Committee held four meetings to consider and review renewals and new applications. Of the 51 Beneficiaries as at April 1st, 1951, nine have been removed, four voluntarily and five by death, and six new Beneficiaries have been added, making a total at March 31st 1952, of 48 Beneficiaries. This is a decrease of one in the number of Beneficiaries as compared with last year.

Your Committee is further pleased to announce that the funds available have permitted it to deal generously with those in need of assistance, and by reason of the change in the Old Age Security Plan a substantial increase in the grants to those over the age of 70 years was made during the year and your Committee is pleased to announce to the Board that this increase has been deeply appreciated by the recipients—when it is taken into account that under the Old Age Pension Scheme previous to January

1st, 1952, the maximum which we were permitted to grant was $10.00 per month per beneficiary, otherwise a deduction would have been made in the amount of the Pension.

It is with grateful thanks that your Committee acknowledges additions to the capital of the Funds during the year, through constituent lodges there was received the sum of $2,612.84, from eight individuals $151.65 and from the Andrew Brown Estate $18,751.63.

Your Committee also wish to again call the attention of Masters and Secretaries of the constituent lodges to Section 11 "B" 3 of the Constitution respecting grants to Beneficiaries and particularly in duties of the Secretary in notifying the Grand Secretary in full of all details concerning the Beneficiary.

Your Committee is further pleased to advise that the usual $5.00 cheques were sent to the Beneficiaries in the Christmas Season.

Your Committee wishes to point out that while the duties of this Committee are many and varied, it is looked upon as a labor of love and we have endeavored to administer the funds so that all those in need have been provided for.

In conclusion, it is with regret that we record the passing of M.W. Bro. Ben. C. Parker and M.W. Bro. George Hunter, both of whom have long been members of this Committee and have rendered most valuable service to this Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

W. D. LAWRENCE,
Chairman,
Committee on Benevolence.

This report was presented by M.W. Bro. H. Coddington (1), who moved its adoption, seconded by M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4). Carried.

DONATIONS TO THE BENEVOLENT END. FUND—1951-52

Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1	$ 100.00
Lisgar Lodge No. 2	25.00
Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3	50.00
Emerson Lodge No. 6	50.00
King Solomon Lodge No. 8	25.00
Gladstone Lodge No. 11	46.00
Stonewall Lodge No. 12	50.00
Morden Lodge No. 13	25.00
Prince of Wales Lodge No. 14	50.00
Brandon Lodge No. 19	50.00
Neepawa Lodge No. 24	25.00
Ionic Lodge No. 25	200.00
Glenwood Lodge No. 27	50.00
Manitou Lodge No. 30	25.00
Birtle Lodge No. 39	25.00
Lebanon Lodge No. 43	31.50
Oak Lake Lodge No. 44	20.00

Glenboro Lodge No. 48	$ 15.00
Temple Lodge No. 49	26.00
Composite Lodge No. 64	10.00
Vermillion Lodge No. 68	61.34
Crystal Lodge No. 71	25.00
Hamiota Lodge No. 84	25.00
King Edward Lodge No. 93	50.00
Hiram Lodge No. 94	25.00
Binscarth Lodge No. 101	15.00
Miniota Lodge No. 102	32.00
Reston Lodge No. 104	100.00
Strathclair Lodge No. 106	75.00
Lansdowne Lodge No. 107	10.00
Acacia Lodge No. 111	10.00
Ophir Lodge No. 112	25.00
Tweed Lodge No. 113	105.00
Rivers Lodge No. 115	25.00
Norwood Lodge No. 119	25.00
St. James Lodge No. 121	25.00
Roblin Lodge No. 122	25.00
Transcona Lodge No. 123	25.00
The Pas Lodge No. 124	93.00
Kildonan Lodge No. 131	100.00
McCreary Lodge No. 133	25.00
Stony Mountain Lodge No. 134	28.00
Windsor Lodge No. 138	100.00
Meridian Lodge No. 140	25.00
Harmony Lodge No. 142	25.00
Fidelity Lodge No. 146	100.00
Seven Oaks Lodge No. 148	25.00
Cartwright Lodge No. 150	18.00
The Dormer Lodge No. 151	75.00
Foxwarren Lodge No. 152	10.00
Flin Flon Lodge No. 153	110.00
Pine Falls Lodge No. 154	69.00
Carman Lodge No. 155	25.00
Rice Lake Lodge No. 157	53.00
Fenwick Lodge No. 158	50.00
Newdale Lodge No. 159	25.00
Starbuck Lodge No. 160	10.00
Fort Prince of Wales Lodge No. 161	25.00
Ashlar Lodge No. 162	15.00
Charleswood Lodge No. 163	25.00
W. C. McDonald	25.65
H. Coddington	10.00
Alex. Moad Estate	45.00
J. W. Johnston	1.00
G. H. Lucas	25.00
Thos. Gibson	10.00
N. Rothstein	25.00
John Livesey	10.00
Andrew Brown Estate	18,751.63

SUMMARY

Lodges	$ 2,612.84
Individuals	151.65
A. Brown Estate	18,751.63
Total	$21,516.12

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe announced that the reception of Distinguished Visitors and the recption of the Grand Representatives of Sister Grand Lodges would take place at the Evening Session.

CLOSING

The Afternoon Session was adjourned at 4.15 p.m., to be resumed at 8.00 p.m. in the evening.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4th, 1952

Evening Session

LABOR RESUMED

The Grand Master, Grand Lodge Officers and Past Grand Masters entered the Lodge Room in procession, the brethren singing the Processional Hymn, "Praise the Lord, Ye Heavens, Adore Him."

The Grand Lodge was called from Refreshment to Labor at 8.00 p.m. by the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe.

MOTION RE HONORARY RANK

M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald (70), made the following motion, which was seconded by M.W. Bro. H. Coddington (1) and carried:

"One of the Constitutional privileges of this Grand Lodge is that of conferring upon brethren who have rendered distinguished service to the Craft, Honorary Rank in this Grand Jurisdiction.

Most Worshipful Brother Harold Sackett Pond, of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota, and Most Worshipful Brother Carsten L. Jacobson, of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota are brethren who have consistently down through the years rendered such service, and their relations with this Grand Lodge have been of a most gratifying nature.

It is therefore with real pleasure that I now move that the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, do hereby confer upon M.W. Bro. Harold Sackett Pond and M.W. Bro. Carsten L. Jacobson, the rank of Honorary Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

RECEPTION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

The Grand Director of Ceremonies, R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat, together with a number of Past Grand Masters, were directed to retire and escort our Distinguished Guests into Grand Lodge, when they were presented at the Altar:

Grand Lodge of Canada (In Ontario)
M.W. Bro. Wm. J. Dunlop, P.G.M.
Presented by M.W. Bro. Wm. D. Lawrence (25)

Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan
M.W. Bro. R. R. McEwan, Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate, Grand Secretary
Presented by M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole (7)

Grand Lodge of Alberta
M.W. Bro. W. F. Empey, Grand Master
M.W. Bro. Geo. F. Ellis, P.G.M.
Presented by M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly (138)

Grand Lodge of Minnesota
M.W. Bro. Geo. W. Christie, Grand Master
M.W. Bro. L. H. Colson, P.G.M.
M.W. Bro. R. W. Stanford, P.G.M.
M.W. Bro. C. C. Colton, P.G.M.
M.W. Bro. W. F. Holman, P.G.M.
M.W. Bro. C. L. Jacobson, P.G.M.
W. Bro. C. B. Norton, Director, Masonic Service
Presented by M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4)

Grand Lodge of North Dakota
M.W. Bro. Glen C. Hulett, Grand Master
M.W. Bro. H. S. Pond, P.G.M., Grand Secty.
M.W. Bro. Chas. M. Pollock, P.G.M.
M.W. Bro. J. A. Stormon, P.G.M.
R.W. Bro. E. J. Franta, D.G.M.
Presented by M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan (158)

Grand Lodge of South Dakota
M.W. Bro. Geo. W. Toft, Grand Master
M.W. Bro. R. R. Twamley, P.G.M.
Presented by M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald (70)

These Guests were welcomed by the M.W. Grand Master and were received with Grand Honors. Their sponsors were then requested to conduct our visitors to the Grand East.

PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES OF HONORARY RANK

M.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe, the Grand Master, asked M.W. Bro. Harold S. Pond and M.W. Bro. Carsten L. Jacobson to approach the Dais in the Grand East where each was presented with his Certificate as an Honorary Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

The M.W. Grand Master spoke of the harmony and pleasure of their visits and on behalf of the Grand Lodge, he was privileged to present their Certificates as tangible evidence of our esteem.

FLAG CEREMONY

The Flag Bearers were escorted into the Grand Lodge by the Grand Director of Ceremonies:

Bro. Major John Dickson carrying the Union Jack.
Bro. Capt. Samuel Gee carrying the Stars and Stripes.

The Flags were presented at the Altar, and the members present sang one verse each of God Save the King and The Star Spangled Banner. The Flags were then carried to and deposited in the Grand East for the duration of the Sessions.

PRESENTATION OF COMMISSIONS TO GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Blythe asked the Grand Director of Ceremonies to escort to the East, the six brethren who were to receive their Commissions as Grand Representatives as follows:

M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (11), as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Alpina (Switzerland).
W. Bro. J. G. Wiechman (51) as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Delaware.
Bro. Walle Larsson (130) as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Norway.
R.W. Bro. E. B. Litz (87) as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Sao Paulo (Brazil).
W. Bro. J. W. Bringhurst (114) as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Oregon.
R.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran (27) as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of New South Wales (Australia).

In presenting these Commissions, M.W. Bro. Blythe asked the recipients to correspond with the Grand Lodges they were representing thus furthering the bonds of Fellowship extending from our Grand Lodge to those Grand Lodges around the world with whom we are in fraternal relationship.

Bro. James C. Duncan then sang two solos, very appropriate to the occasion, which were well received and much enjoyed by the brethren.

ADDRESS OF THE GRAND MASTER—1951-52

Most Worshipful Brother Fred. H. Blythe

My Brethren:

On looking back over the past busy twelve months, my first impulse on commencing this Address is to express my humble thanks to the Great Architect of the Universe for the blessing of good health and strength, which enabled me to complete my full term without interruption.

Then, I wish to welcome each and every brother most cordially to this, the Seventy-seventh Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba. Our distinguished visitors have already received the warmest and most cordial welcome that words can convey.

To those Worshipful Masters and Wardens who, for the first time are attending Grand Lodge, I extend a very warm welcome; it is my hope that during the Communication you will find much that will be of interest to you and your lodge. It is my desire that you will enter into the spirit of this Communication and take an active part in whatever is presented for consideration. May I suggest that when you return to your various lodges, you will, at the first opportunity, report to your brethren, your observations and findings.

To those Master Masons, who, because of their deep interest in Freemasonry are attending this Communication to observe their Grand Lodge at work, I extend a very sincere welcome. We realize that it is on this great body of Master Masons in our Jurisdiction, the future of Freemasonry depends and has its strength. In the years to come that body will supply the leadership and guidance in this Grand Lodge.

To the whole membership of this Grand Lodge I wish to express my deep appreciation of the honor and faith expressed by you in electing me to the exalted position as your Seventy-seventh Grand Master. It has been a happy year though somewhat strenuous—a year free from discord or disturbance of any kind. Breaches of the Constitution were of a minor character due no doubt to misunderstanding or the lack of experience rather than a desire to embarrass Freemasonry. The year just closing will pass into history as one of peaceful progress.

As the year started, I had two objectives in mind. The first was to impress upon the younger Masons the privilege and joy of being a well informed and active member of the Fraternity.

The second objective was more difficult, and that was to try to increase lodge attendance. In addressing the lodges which I had the pleasure of visiting, I expressed my ideas and thoughts in an informal message, rather than a formally constructed address, thereby touching on a wider range of subjects which I thought might arouse the interest of the brethren, particularly those who had entered Freemasonry recently.

I am deeply interested in the new Mason whom we find eager and full of enthusiasm, anxious for greater light and understanding of the Craft, yet often left to his own endeavors because his lodge is too busy with degree work. Greater effort should be made by the individual lodges to develop and guide these new brethren in their search for knowledge and understanding, for it is these brethren who, in the coming years, will guide our lodges and carry on the mission of Freemasonry in their communities.

While I have made well over one hundred visits I fully realize that it is not the number of visits that is considered important. If my visits have been fruitful, and achieved a greater desire among the brethren to practice the art of Freemasonry not only in the lodge but in the wider sphere of their communities, then I shall feel that my efforts were not in vain.

NECROLOGY

During the period covered by this report the Grim Reaper has taken a terrible toll among the brethren of this Grand Jurisdiction, as well as other Jurisdictions throughout the World.

H.M. KING GEORGE VI

On Wednesday morning, February 6th, 1952, the world was startled by the message, "The King is Dead. Long Live the Queen." This fateful message echoed around the globe announcing the death of a British Monarch and an illustrious Mason. His subjects the world over join the Royal family in their mourning. No man of any rank ever more truly gave his life in the service of a Nation and its people. He accepted the serious and arduous duties of the British Crown despite indifferent health and an unobtrusive nature. As George VI of Great Britain, the British Commonwealth of Nations and the British Empire, His Majesty carried out the Kingly duties without thought of personal health or safety, while strength remained. His people will always remember his leadership and steadfast refusal to seek personal safety through England's darkest hour.

We join with countless others in humble tribute to this great and kindly man—in his memory, we pledge our love and loyalty to our new Queen.

M.W. BROTHER PETER T. PILKEY

Sunday evening October 7th, 1951, the spirit of our beloved M.W. Brother Peter Thomas Pilkey found peace, after months of distress and pain.

In his passing, Masonry in Manitoba, in fact in all parts of Canada, lost one of its most distinguished leaders, one of its best loved members. He was a man of rare charm of manner and a devout Christian Gentleman. When he entered a room, he always brought something of his own with him. I don't suppose he ever knew how rare a spirit he was, nor how much he was loved.

He was laid to rest among the Pines at Hamiota, with the last rites of the Craft he loved so well.

M.W. BROTHER BEN. C. PARKER

On Friday, December 28th, 1951, this Grand Lodge was shocked to learn that M.W. Brother Benjamin Cronyn Parker had quietly joined the Celestial Grand Lodge. To Brother Parker, gentle soul, death came in its gentlest form—God's finger touched him and he slept. We feel there would have been something out of keeping with his life if death had come to him in the wake of long-drawn agony.

Those who gave him love, know what depths of affection lay within his heart. Endowed with silent strength, he wielded a strange power over a great circle of friends. He somehow glided into our lives as a gracious influence. Never assertive of his rights, only heedful of his duties and ungrudging in his service, he unconsciously wove himself into the texture of many other lives.

He was laid to rest with the full rites of Freemasonry by the brethren of his own lodge, St. John's No. 4.

M.W. BROTHER GEORGE HUNTER

Friday evening, April 25th, 1952, M.W. Brother George Hunter passed away. He had adorned the Grand East of the Grand Lodge during the difficult year of 1931.

Prominent and active in the service of his community, a devout Christian, an earnest and active Freemason, his passing is a distinct loss to our Fraternity. So long as we who knew him intimately shall live, no monument of stone or marble is needed to mark his memory. He always exhibited a true exemplification of the Principles of Freemasonry and builded for himself in the hearts of his brethren a monument that shall long endure.

Northern Light Lodge No. 10 laid our Beloved Brother to rest with full rites of the Craft he loved so well.

Thus, in our short year, we have lost three great leaders from this jurisdiction.

We record with deep regret and sorrow, the loss sustained through death by our Sister Grand Lodges:

March 12, 1951—M.W. Bro. Harry K. Green, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Virginia.

May 14, 1951—M.W. Bro. Edward W. Spottswood, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Montana.

June 12, 1951—M.W. Bro. Wm. P. Chandler, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Tennessee.

July 13, 1951—M.W. Bro. Thomas Steele, Jr., P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Tennessee.

July 17, 1951—M.W. Bro. Stanley W. McDowell, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Tennessee.

August 2, 1951—M.W. Bro. Robt. A. Wilson, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Washington.

August 6, 1951—M.W. Bro. Llewellyn L. Callaway, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Montana.

August 7, 1951—M.W. Bro. Benjamin C. Hilliard, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Colorado.

August 9, 1951—R.W.Bro.E. Murray Graham, P.S.G.W., Grand Lodge of Maine.

August 24, 1951—R.W. Bro. Henry M. Bell, D.G.M., Grand Lodge of Texas.

August 31, 1951—R.W. Bro. Edward F. Roberts, D.G.M., Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

September 10, 1951—M.W. Bro. Chas. A. Donaldson, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Michigan.

September 14, 1951—M.W. Bro. Harold H. Hart, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of New Hampshire.

September 14, 1951—M.W. Bro. Earl C. Bronaugh, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Oregon.

September 16, 1951—M.W. Bro. F. W. Settlemier, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Oregon.

September 18, 1951—M.W. Bro. Frederic E. Everett, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of New Hampshire.

September 29, 1951—M.W. Bro. Victor A. Bowes, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Alberta.

October 1, 1951—M.W. Bro. John A. Jackson, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Alberta.

October 16, 1951—M.W. Bro. Ezra M. Wilson, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Oregon.

October 19, 1951—M.W. Bro. Thos. W. Sutherland, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan.

November 3, 1951—M.W. Bro. Walter L. Wilson, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Mississippi.

November 15, 1951—M.W. Bro. Homer M. Pace, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of South Carolina.

December 12, 1951—M.W. Bro. B. Frank Thomas, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Ohio.

December 24, 1951—M.W. Bro. William Hall, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of North Dakota.

January 11, 1952—M.W. Bro. Otto C. Hagmeier, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Oregon.

January 14, 1952—M.W. Bro. Charles Barham, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Tennessee.

January 23, 1952—M.W. Bro. Chas. P. Kirtland, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Washington.

January 23, 1952—R.W. Bro. Herbert L. Lange, D.G.M., Grand Lodge of Montana.

January 25, 1952—M.W. Bro. W. G. Shellenbarger, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Oregon.

February 25, 1952—M.W. Bro. Henry L. Fox, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Tennessee.

March 15, 1952—M.W. Bro. Victor Peterson, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Idaho.

March 16, 1952—R.W. Bro. Frederick A. Hammann, Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

April 5, 1952—M.W. Bro. Wm. E. Hutchison, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Kansas.

If you keep in mind that this is rather a report of my stewardship, than an address, you will better understand the work accomplished during the past year.

One might call the year just closing a Ceremonial Year! One in which a number of new lodges were set to work and new Temples opened.

On June 25th, 1951, an Emergent Communication of Grand Lodge was opened at Charleswood and in the presence of a goodly number of brethren, Charleswood Lodge No. 163 was Consecrated and Constituted, in full and ample form.

On June 28th, 1951, a second Emergent Communication of Grand Lodge was opened at Starbuck, when a very large gathering of brethren witnessed the Consecration and Constitution of Starbuck Lodge No. 160 in full and ample form.

On July 2nd, 1951, a party of twenty-one Grand Lodge Officers and brethren left Winnipeg in a private car for Churchill. Enroute other brethren joined us and by the time Churchill was reached, we had grown to a party of forty-five. On Tuesday evening, July 3rd, 1951, an Emergent Session of Grand Lodge was opened in the Community Hall, Churchill, and Fort Prince of Wales Lodge No. 161 was duly Consecrated and Constituted.

An Emergent Meeting of Grand Lodge was held in Norwood Temple on September 11th, 1951, when Ashlar Lodge No. 162 was Consecrated and Constituted in full and ample form.

On each occasion, the Officers were invested and installed by your Grand Master, assisted by the Grand Lodge Officers.

These four lodges are well organized and contain a fine, enthusiastic body of Freemasons and will no doubt contribute much to their respective communities and to this Grand Jurisdiction.

It was a most delightful occasion when on the evening of January 11th, 1952, an Emergent Session of Grand Lodge was called at Lundar, to Institute the Harry Woods Lodge U.D.

A very large gathering attended to witness the Ceremony and pay homage to the memory of our beloved Past Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Harry Woods, whose memory will be perpetuated in the formation of this lodge.

Grand Lodge was again called in special Session on April 3rd, 1952, to Institute and set to work, Friendship Lodge U.D. in Fort Garry. A fine attendance witnessed the birth of this new lodge. This lodge is starting under the most favorable conditions.

On May 6th, 1952, Grand Lodge was again called in Special Session at Kenton, where with the assistance of Grand Lodge Officers Woodworth Lodge U.D. was Instituted under very favorable conditions.

These ceremonies indicate material growth and strength: may it be that we will find the spiritual growth equally strong and virile.

Further evidence of growth and development of the Craft is the new Temples opened by many of our Lodges:

On November 23rd, 1951, I had the unusual pleasure of dedicating the new Temple at Shiloh Lodge No. 70, Roland, to the purposes of Freemasonry.

At the District Meeting of the Fourth Masonic District I formally opened the new Temple of Mound Lodge No. 118 at Pilot Mound.

During my visit to King Solomon Lodge No. 8 at Morris on Friday, October 26th, 1951, I formally opened their fine new Temple which replaced the one totally lost during the floods of 1950.

Emerson Lodge No. 6 at Emerson, and Windsor Lodge No. 138 in St. Vital have completed the repairs and alterations on their Temples, and are now fully recovered from the damage caused by the water.

FIFTY-YEAR JEWELS

One of the joys of a Grand Master is to pay tribute to those veterans of the Craft who have served Freemasonry and their Lodges faithfully for fifty years or more by presenting them with a long-service jewel.

Many of these brethren are in the sunset of Life, yet ever keen and ever happy, when attending their lodges or in communion with their brethren. The following brethren were so honored during the past year:

W. Bro. Ernest Samuel Moorhead, Northern Light Lodge No. 10, presented by M.W. Bro. A. L. Crossin at a meeting of Northern Light Lodge No. 10 on October 18th, 1951.

W. Bro. Alexander T. Smith, King Solomon Lodge No. 8, presented by M.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe, G.M., at the Official Opening of the new Temple at Morris on October 26th, 1951.

Bro. James Gibbs Davies: "The Assiniboine" Lodge No. 114, presented by M.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe, G.M., at "The Assiniboine" Lodge on January 8th, 1952.

W. Bro. William Henry Shead, Lisgar Lodge No. 2, presented by M.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe at Lisgar Lodge on February 19th, 1952.

Bro. Thomas Young, Composite Lodge No. 64, presented by R.W. Bro. A. D. Blair, at Souris on May 27th, 1952.

VISITS TO SISTER JURISDICTIONS

The one week postponement of Grand Lodge last year, caused confliction of dates, so I was able to personally visit only two of the Annual Communications of Sister Jurisdictions.

On June 19th and 20th, 1951, in company with M.W. Bro. Coddington, I enjoyed the fellowship and hospitality of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan and was signally honored by having conferred on me the rank of Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan.

On Monday, March 17th to 21st, 1952, in company with R.W. Bro. Harry Gray, Senior Grand Warden, we attended the full session of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, and again enjoyed the warm expressions of fellowship and hospitality of the brethren of Minnesota. Our small party was later joined by M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald and R.W. Bro. D. Griffith. Due to unavoidable circumstances, that veteran of many such visits in the past, M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas, was unable to attend. During the Sessions your Grand Master had the distinction of being appointed and commissioned as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota near the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, by M.W. Bro. Einar Johnson, Grand Master of Minnesota.

Due to causes already mentioned, I was ably represented by V.W. Bro. O. L. Best at the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota held June 18th and 19th, 1951.

On my behalf, M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald and R.W. Bro. E. Glover attended the Grand Communication at South Dakota held June 12th and 13th and carried greetings from our own Grand Lodge.

Being unable to attend the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Alberta held June 13th and 14th, 1951, I was ably represented by M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly, who was honored by having the rank of Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta conferred upon him.

BANFF CONFERENCE

On September 5th, 1951, the Eleventh Annual Inter-Provincial Conference of the four Western Grand Lodges was opened at Banff, Alberta. Manitoba was represented by the Deputy Grand Master, the Grand Secretary and myself. Many fine papers were presented and fully discussed, copies of which were later sent to each constituent lodge in this Jurisdiction. I would strongly recommend that we continue to send our delegates to this Conference, for I am satisfied that the experience and discussions are of great value to your Officers.

DIVINE SERVICES

Masonry, being the hand maiden of the Church, I was pleased to accept, on behalf of Grand Lodge, several invitations to attend Divine Worship.

On Sunday, December 2nd, 1951, Grand Lodge attended the evening Service at St. John's Cathedral, in sufficient numbers to fill it to capacity and listened to a splendid sermon by our Grand Chaplain, R.W. Bro. Canon F. Hughes.

Sunday, September 16th, 1951 Grand Lodge in great numbers attended the One Hundredth Anniversary Service of Old Kildonan Church.

At the invitation of the Grand Chaplain, R.W. Bro. Canon F. Hughes, Grand Lodge attended St. Alban's Church, Sunday Dec. 16th, 1951, and listened to a very inspiring Sermon by Bro. Rev. Burton Thomas. This Service completed the Ceremony of the laying of the Corner Stone, Sunday, May 13th, 1951, by M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas.

OVERSEAS GUESTS

On September 24th, 1951, in company with M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas, I spent a delightful half-hour with R.W. Bro. Lord Derby, Deputy Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England, who made a short stopover here on his journey across Canada.

He brought to you all, the fraternal greetings of the United Grand Lodge of England, together with the grateful thanks of that Grand Lodge for the food parcels sent to their brethren.

On Tuesday, January 22nd, 1952, we had the distinct pleasure of entertaining R.W. Bro. J. S. M. Grieve, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Scotland, and his travelling companion, Bro. Alexander Milroy. He conveyed the fraternal greetings and good wishes of the Grand Lodge of Scotland, and by Resolution, the thanks and appreciation of that Body for food parcels sent by you.

DISTRICT MEETINGS

I attended all of the Eleven District Meetings and was well pleased with the conduct of the meetings. They were well organized and presided over in a most capable manner, and I felt, thoroughly enjoyed by the large attendance at these meetings.

I attribute much of the success of these District Meetings to the instructions and direction the District Deputy Grand Masters receive from the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry. This Committee meeting with the District Deputies the morning following Grand Lodge give them preliminary instruction and in September while attending the meeting of the Board of General Purposes, they are further instructed and briefed in their duties, resulting in a body of well-informed District Deputy Grand Masters who discharged their duties with a full knowledge and understanding of their responsibilities, to the great satisfaction of their Grand Master.

LODGES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE GRAND MASTER

The Pas Lodge No. 124
Flin Flon Lodge No. 153
Rice Lake Lodge No. 157
Fort Prince of Wales Lodge No. 161

These Lodges were all personally visited and found to be working in harmony and unity, carrying out the mission of

Freemasonry in their respective communities. The books and records are all in order and I am fully satisfied that Masonic Fellowship and good-will prevails among the brethren of these four Lodges.

AREA MEETINGS

Three Area Meetings were held this Spring with the following acting as the Host Lodges:

Deloraine Lodge No. 40, at Deloraine
St. Andrew's Lodge No. 116, at Wellwood
Russell Lodge No. 62, at Russell.

These meetings were well attended; the social atmosphere of the Banquet Table, seasoned with the instructive messages that follow tend to make these meetings very popular. The location is selected to serve the greatest area; we find many adjoining districts represented, broadening the sphere of contact and fellowship. I would suggest that the Committee on Masonic Research and Education continue to give these meetings special attention.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

To fill vacancies caused by various reasons, I have recommended to the Grand Masters of the Grand Lodges concerned the appointment of the following brethren as Grand Representatives:

W. Bro. Jacob W. Bringhurst, "The Assiniboine" Lodge No. 114, Grand Lodge of Oregon......March 24th, 1952

W. Bro. George H. Lucas, Rice Lake Lodge No. 157, Grand Lodge of Arkansas......Commission not received

M.W. Bro. Stanley H. Fahrni, Gladstone Lodge No. 11, Grand Lodge Alpina (Switzerland)....January 16, 1952

V.W. Bro. Wm. C. Birt, St. John's Lodge No. 4, National Grand Lodge of Denmark......................October 1, 1951

W. Bro. John G. Wiechman, Treherne Lodge No. 51, Grand Lodge of Delaware......................March 18, 1952

M.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe, King Edward Lodge No. 93, Grand Lodge of Minnesota.................February 5, 1952

R.W. Bro. J. Reid Glenn, Fort Osborne Lodge No. 144, Grand Lodge of Mississippi.............December 20, 1951

Bro. Walle Larsson, Fort Garry Lodge No. 130, Grand Lodge of Norway........April 25, 1952

I approved the appointment of the following brethren as Grand Representatives of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba near other Grand Jurisdictions:

R.W. Bro. Geo. H. Hargreaves, National Grand Lodge of France........February 27, 1952

R.W. Bro. Guy L. Roberts, Grand Lodge of Indiana,........September 15, 1951

R.W. Bro. Geo. R. Caswell, Grand Lodge of Maine........April 1, 1952

R.W. Bro. Maurice Utchitel, Grand Lodge of Sao Paulo (Brazil)........July 27, 1951

If Grand Representatives take full advantage of their Commission they can open a channel of communication that is intimate and beneficial not only to themselves but also to the Grand Lodges they represent.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Few matters of this Grand Lodge are of greater importance and concern than the education and guidance of those brethren who have joined our Craft during the last few years. To them will be passed the torch of Freemasonry. They will supply the leaders of tomorrow and if we fulfill our duties today by giving them the light and guidance they are seeking, the sound, steady growth of Freemasonry in this Jurisdiction will be assured.

I am looking forward to the time when the membership of this Grand lodge will warrant full time Grand Lecturers to travel among our lodges giving instruction and assistance. That not being possible at present, I would recommend that a suitable fund be budgeted for, to enable the Grand Master to delegate any well-skilled brother to visit those lodges that may require encouragement and help.

It is my chief regret on leaving this Office, that I could not visit more of those lodges who seldom have a visit from their Grand Lodge Officers. My experience on those visits I have made has been mutually beneficial and helpful.

I would like to repeat again my suggestion that this Grand Lodge continue its support of the Banff Conference, for I have found by experience that the work done at this

Conference and the fellowship and experience of the other Grand Lodge Officers taking part was of great help during my term as Grand Master.

I would also suggest that the Committee on Masonic Research and Education, along with the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry, continue their fine efforts in developing the programs for our District and Area Meetings. They are also doing a fine work in their assistance to the District Deputy Grand Masters, which I recommend, they continue.

I feel that the time is fast approaching, if not already here, when careful consideration should be given to the growth of our Districts. With new lodges being formed and the great area covered by some of our rural districts, I feel that it is difficult for the District Deputy Grand Master to properly supervise and guide the lodges in their Districts.

I would therefore recommend this matter be given careful study, so that we may have all the facts, when the time arrives to change the composition of our Districts.

APPRECIATION AND CONCLUSION

As I near the end of my report, I can truthfully say that the writing of it has been a pleasant task, in living over again many of the happy experiences of this past year.

Foremost in my recollections is the support and loyalty I have received as I visited the lodges and other Masonic functions in the Jurisdiction.

My sincere thanks to a most efficient slate of Officers; the heavy schedule early in the term found them present and fully prepared for their labors. No Grand Master could wish for a finer group of representatives than I have in my District Deputy Grand Masters. To each one, I express my appreciation for their faithful discharge of their duties, and congratulate them on their well-organized District Meetings.

To our Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. Coddington, I offer my sincere thanks for his ready assistance and his fine service in organizing and arranging the various meetings held throughout the Jurisdiction. It was with deep regret I learned that his health will not permit him to continue as Grand Secretary of our Grand Lodge. In the past years, M.W. Bro. Coddington has been a tower of strength to this Grand Lodge, particularly at those periods of emergency when confusion and loss beset this Grand Lodge. It is our earnest prayer that he may soon recover his good health, and enjoy the rest and holiday that long and faithful service has earned.

To W. Bro. McKenzie, our Executive Secretary, and Miss Margaret Anderson, Assistant Secretary, I wish to formally express my thanks and appreciation for the many thoughtful services rendered.

To my business associates, my sincerest thanks for the cheerful manner in which arrangements were made to enable me to attend to my Masonic duties.

The past year has been the busiest I have ever experienced, and yet perhaps the happiest. It has been a great privilege to serve as your Grand Master. My chief regret is that I have had to leave so many things undone for the want of time.

May the Most High, guide and direct our beloved Craft in the fulfillment of its mission—"The Brotherhood of Man, and the Fatherhood of God."

R.W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran (27), on behalf of all the brethren present, thanked M.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe for his very splendid address and moved, seconded by R.W. Bro. H. H. Gray (141), that the Address be referred to the Committee on the Grand Master's Address. Carried.

PRESENTATION OF FIFTY-YEAR JEWELS

R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat (139), Grand Director of Ceremonies, was requested to present at the Altar, R.W. Bro. Hugh M. Kerr of Fenwick Lodge No. 158 and Bro. James Fraser of Meridian Lodge No. 140, who were invested with a Fifty-year Jewel, which, the M.W. Grand Master pointed out was a badge of a veteran and just as our present day youthful members represent the future, these two recipients stand for our achievements of the past.

RECEPTION OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

The Grand Director of Ceremonies was directed to present the Grand Representatives of Sister Grand Jurisdictions, and they in turn extended greetings on behalf of the Grand Lodge they represented.

The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Blythe thanked them for their greetings and expressed the hope that they would correspond with their respective Grand Lodges and extend our good wishes to one and all.

Alabama	V.W. Bro. B. Warkentin
Alberta	R.W. Bro. H. M. Kerr
Alpina (Switzerland)	M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni
Arizona	V.W. Bro. O. L. Best
Arkansas	W. Bro. G. H. Lucas
British Columbia	R.W. Bro. J. C. Grant
Canada (in Ontario)	M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence
Chile	M.W. Bro. N. J. Black
Colombia	R.W. Bro. A. S. McCann
Colorado	R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy
Connecticut	M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan
Costa Rica	R.W. Bro. J. D. Lloyd
Cuba	W. Bro. J. M. Davies
Delaware	W. Bro. J. G. Wiechman
District of Columbia	W. Bro. A. C. Cabel
France, N.G.L.	R.W. Bro. C. A. Midwinter
Georgia	R.W. Bro. W. A. Prugh
Guatemala	W. Bro. R. Wood
Honduras	R.W. Bro. A. G. Cowan
Idaho	W. Bro. S. J. Sametz
Indiana	R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett
Ireland	M.W. Bro. H. Coddington
Louisiana	M.W. Bro. C. E. Cole
Maryland	R.W. Bro. D. Ferguson
Mississippi	R.W. Bro. J. R. Glenn
Nebraska	V.W. Bro. N. Rothstein
Netherlands	M.W. Bro. A. L. Crossin
Nevada	R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat
New Brunswick	W. Bro. R. A. McKenzie
New Hampshire	V.W. Bro. W. D. G. Runions
New Jersey	V.W. Bro. W. G. Corbett
New Mexico	M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly
New South Wales	R.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran
New York	R.W. Bro. G. A. Woodside
New Zealand	M.W. Bro. S. Burland
North Carolina	R.W. Bro. R. Peel
Norway	Bro. Walle Larsson
Nova Scotia	M.W. Bro. D. S. Woods
Ohio	W. Bro. A. E. Boyle
Oregon	W. Bro. J. W. Bringhurst
Panama	W. Bro. W. Dalzell
Prince Edward Island	R.W. Bro. F. B. Lynes
Puerto Rico	R.W. Bro. G. V. Henderson
Rhode Island	R.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans
Rio de Janeiro	M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald
Sao Paulo	R.W. Bro. E. B. Litz
Saskatchewan	R.W. Bro. H. H. Gray
Scotland	M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas
South Australia	W. Bro. J. J. Allen
Tasmania	V.W. Bro. T. L. Dodsworth
Tennessee	M.W. Bro. J. S. MacEwing
Texas	V.W. Bro. H. G. Kilpatrick
Uruguay	V.W. Bro. E. A. Baragar

Utah	R.W. Bro. D. MacDonald
Virginia	V.W. Bro. C. Hyde
Vermont	R.W. Bro. F. K. Purdie
Washington	R.W. Bro. G. R. Mackay
West Virginia	R.W. Bro. D. Griffith
Western Australia	V.W. Bro. J. B. McClure
Wisconsin	W. Bro. N. M. Hall

RECOGNITION OF MASONIC SERVICE

M.W. Bro. Blythe drew the attention of the members assembled to the fact that he was conferring, in absentia, the rank of Honorary Past District Deputy Grand Master on V.W. Bro. William Howie for the outstanding service he has rendered to The Pas Lodge No. 124, to the Northern part of Manitoba, and to the Craft in general. As Bro. Howie was not able to be in attendance suitable arrangements would be made for the presentation of his Certificate.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The M.W. Grand Master drew the attention of the brethren to the District Meetings, which would be held in accordance with the Program—Districts One and Twelve at the close of this Session, and the other Districts at 9.00 a.m. the following morning.

M.W. Bro. Maurice S. Donovan announced that the newly-elected District Deputy Grand Masters would be installed the following evening and he requested the retiring District Deputy Grand Masters to be present with their regalia so that each may invest his successor in Office.

ADJOURNMENT

Grand Lodge was then adjourned at 10.00 p.m. to reconvene at 10.30 the following morning.

Second Day

THURSDAY, JUNE 5th, 1952

Morning Session

LABOR RESUMED

Grand Lodge was called from Refreshment to Labor at 10.30 a.m. by the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE AND APPEALS

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through its Committee on Jurisprudence and Appeals, begs to report that in the term which is now expiring, this Committee has not been called upon in any way to discharge the duties devolving upon it under the Constitution of the Grand Lodge, and there has been no occasion for your Committee to meet.

When a Judge attends Court in Manitoba to preside at a Criminal Assizes and there are no criminal cases to be tried at that Assizes, it is customary for the Sheriff of the district to present the Judge with a pair of white gloves. In following this precedent possibly your Chairman is entitled to a pair of white gloves.

The fact that no appeals and no constitutional questions have come before your Committee during the term which is now expiring, speaks well for the healthy condition of Free Masonry in this Province, and your Committee expresses the hope to you Most Worshipful Sir and to the officers and members of Grand Lodge, that the ensuing term may be marked by the same harmony as that of the term during which this Committee has served, and that the spirit of brotherly love and friendship which has relieved the Committee of its duties may continue to prevail.

Fraternally submitted,

S. HART GREEN,
Chairman,
Committee on Jurisprudence and Appeals.

This report was presented by M.W. Bro. H. Coddington (1) who moved its adoption, seconded by W. Bro. J. F. Irwin (24), and carried.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND REVISION

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through the Committee on Constitution and Revision submits the following report:

In accordance with instructions received from the Board of General Purposes this Committee took in hand the matter of certain property owned by Shellmouth Lodge No. 129 which lodge had surrendered its Charter without disposing of the said property. Under the Constitution the said property devolved upon Grand Lodge and your Committee took the necessary steps to vest title to said property in the name of Grand Lodge.

After considerable investigation your Committee ascertained the facts in connection with the matter were as follows:

At the time said Shellmouth Lodge surrendered its Charter in the year 1945 there was still owing on the lodge property approximately the sum of Five Hundred ($500.00) Dollars which loan had been guaranteed by certain members. Subsequently those former members who were responsible for the said indebtedness arranged a sale of the property to one, John Russin of the Municipality of Shellmouth, in Manitoba, Farmer, for the sum of $500.00 in cash which money was used to pay off the said indebtedness and the title was handed to Mr. Russin.

This matter was fully discussed at various meetings of the Board and it was decided to convey the property in question to Mr. Russin.

A declaration was obtained from Mr. Russin as to the facts and your committee caused to be prepared all the necessary papers in that regard and forwarded same to Mr. W. W. W. Wilson, Barrister, at Russell, Manitoba, on terms that the costs in connection therewith be paid. This arrangement was carried out and Grand Lodge was put to no expense in the matter.

Your Committee has had under consideration the suggestion made some time ago by M. W. Bro. Douglas with respect to increasing the number of the Board of General Purposes and also certain changes as to their method of nomination and election. The method of election as suggested was in short that half of the Board be elected from representatives of lodges in the Greater Winnipeg area and the other half from lodges outside that area. It was further suggested that the nominations and elections for the two divisions be confined to the voting members of the respective divisions. In other words, the Winnipeg area nominees would be voted upon by members of that area and similarly those in the other division would elect their own representatives on the Board.

Your Committee has found that there is a considerable difference of opinion about the method of nomination and election and with the consent of M.W. Bro. Douglas your committee recommends that no amendment in that connection be submitted at the present time but that the matter be left with the committee for further consideration.

Your Committee does not intend to propose any further amendments to the Constitution at this time.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

K. R. KENNEDY,
Chairman,
Committee on Constitution and Revision.

This report was presented by M.W. Bro. H. Coddington (1), M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (11) moved its adoption, seconded by R.W. Bro. H. H. Gray (141) and carried.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Finance begs to submit the following report:

Your Committee on Finance during the past year has carefully supervised all matters relating to the General Fund of Grand Lodge. Meetings of the Committee were held regularly each month to check all accounts presented through the Grand Secretary and payment in all cases was authorized.

Statement of Income and Expenditure as at March 31st, 1952, is as follows:

Income Budgeted	$26,725.00
Income Actual	24,123.59
Expenditures Budgeted	27,811.00
Expenditures Actual	23,243.76
Surplus as at March 31st, 1951	23,227.85
Excess of Income over Expenditure	879.83
Surplus as at March 31st, 1952	$24,107.68

In his report to Grand Lodge last year, the Grand Secretary suggested that some thought should be given to providing additional office space for the Grand Secretary's Office. This matter was considered by your Finance Committee and as a result of our recommendation to the Board, approval was given for the Grand Secretary's Office and the Grand Librarian's Office to exchange premises and to have the necessary repairs and decorating coincidental with the change. We believe this transfer has been most beneficial to all concerned.

Also approved by your Committee was an expenditure to instal a ventilating fan in the Board room. By clearing and removing heavy smoke-filled air, this fan has made Board and Committee meetings much more pleasant and comfortable.

Following a report from the Grand Secretary that the two typewriters in the office had been in use for over 30 years, your Committee approved the expenditure necessary to purchase a new machine. Consideration was given to the different prices submitted for various models and it was decided that as a Standard Electric Typewriter offered the best value for the money expended a machine of this quality was secured.

An item of major importance was approved by your Committee in conjunction with the Board of General Purposes, when it was decided to put into effect an Annuity Pension Scheme for the employees of Grand Lodge in the Grand Secretary's Office. Under this scheme, both the employees and Grand Lodge pay a fixed percentage of gross salaries towards a pension to be paid to female employees on retirement at age 60, and male employees on retirement at age 65. Agreement to participate in the scheme will be one of the requisite points in the hiring of any future employees.

At one of our regular meetings, the question of the appearance of the regalia of the Grand Lodge Officers was mentioned and your Committee was unanimous in its opinion that consideration should be given to this matter and that renovation or replacement of Grand Lodge Officers' collars and aprons was advisable. An appropriation for this work has been made in the 1952-53 Budget and it is hoped that the members of Grand Lodge will approve the adoption of this Budget so that this work can be undertaken at the earliest possible date.

In conclusion, to our Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington, go our sincere thanks for his interest in the work of the Committee and for his timely advice and assistance. Our thanks also to our Executive Secretary, W.Bro. M. Gordon McKenzie and to Miss Margaret Anderson for their ready assistance and co-operation at all times.

The Budget showing the approximate Income and Expenditure for the year 1952-53 is attached to this report and is submitted for your consideration:

BUDGET — 1952-53

INCOME

	Actual, 1951-52	Estimated, 1952-53
Dues	$20,454.75	$21,500.00
Initiations	1,468.00	1,400.00
Master Mason Certificates	1,481.00	1,400.00
Life Member Certificates	127.00	100.00
Past Master Certificates	94.00	90.00
Dispensations	193.00	150.00
Bond Interest	300.00	300.00
Benevolent Fund Administration Fee		300.00
Stock	5.84	2,000.00
	$24,123.59	$27,240.00

EXPENDITURE

Salaries		$ 6,732.00		$ 6,750.00
Grand Lodge Communication:				
Printing Proceedings	$1,504.32		$2,000.00	
Other Expense	1,114.27		1,300.00	
Consecration and Const.	515.18		300.00	
		3,133.77		3,600.00

EXPENDITURE—Continued

Masonry in Manitoba		$2,015.02		$2,300.00
Annuities		1,878.10		400.00
Library		1,383.67		1,400.00
Stock Supplies		....		2,000.00
Rent		1,361.00		1,361.00
Grand Master's Expense		705.65		1,000.00
Grand Secretary's Expense			$ 600.00	
Grand Lodge Officers' Expense		393.83	900.00	
				1,500.00
G.M. Lodges—Bissett, The Pas, Flin Flon, Churchill		....		500.00
Board Expense		821.30		1,000.00
Area Meetings		363.81		1,000.00
Stationery and Office Expense		649.99		1,000.00
Regalia		383.51		1,500.00
Conferences: Banff	$364.45		$ 750.00	
Washington	42.98		400.00	
All-Canada	287.06		350.00	
		694.49		1,500.00
Furniture and Fixtures		595.00		200.00
Audit		300.00		300.00
Postage and Excise		275.09		475.00
Master Mason Certificates		227.70		250.00
Past Master Certificates		54.00		....
Telephone and Telegraph		147.90		150.00
Masonic Relief Association		101.25		110.00
Insurance		100.30		....
Christmas Expense		85.40		100.00
Moving		79.00		....
Unemployment Insurance		73.62		75.00
Fifty-year Jewels		....		150.00
Committees:				
Research and Education	$41.75		50.00	
Condition of Freemasonry	47.80		60.00	
Correspondence	....		25.00	
Benevolence	....		50.00	
		89.55		185.00
Exchange		37.75		40.00
Safety Deposit Box		25.00		25.00
Miscellaneous		536.06		1,000.00
		$23,243.76		$29,871.00
Estimated Income				$27,240.00
Taken from Surplus				$ 2,631.00

This report was presented by the Chairman, R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat (139), who moved its adoption, seconded by R.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4) and carried.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON INVESTMENTS

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Investments begs to report that during the year ended March 31st, 1952, the par value of Bond Investments of Grand Lodge were increased by $22,100.00.

By the Purchase of Dominion of Canada 3% bonds maturing Sept. 1, 1966	$ 8,100.00
Less by redemption of Greater Winnipeg Water District Debenture, matured	1,000.00
	$ 7,100.00
From funds made available as follows:	
Donations by Lodges	2,764.49
Donations—Andrew Brown Estate (Cash)	3,871.63
Life Members' Fees	580.00
	$ 7,216.12
Also by the direct donation of Bonds from the Andrew Brown Estate as follows:	
Dominion of Canada Bonds	13,000.00
Ontario Hydro Electric	1,000.00
Canadian West Indies Steamship Ltd.	1,000.00
	$15,000.00

With regard to the Andrew Brown Estate there is also a Stock Certificate on the United Grain Growers for 43 Class "A" non-voting Preferred Shares and a cheque for $10.00 covering sales of two Class "B" Shares in the United Grain Growers.

Your Committee records with deep regret the passing of M.W. Bro. Ben. C. Parker, Chairman of the Investment Committee, who died December 27th, 1951, who will be greatly missed.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY CODDINGTON,
Acting Chairman,
Committee on Investments.

This report was presented by M.W. Bro. H. Coddington (1), who moved its adoption, seconded by R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat (139) and carried.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Committee on the Grand Master's Address appointed by the Board of General Purposes beg to report as follows:

The activities of the Grand Master within and beyond the borders of this Grand Jurisdiction indicate not only a tireless effort to contact the Masonic Brethren of this and other Jurisdictions, but a sincerity of purpose in fostering and developing the Mission of the Craft to humanity. A record of some 116 visits to Lodges, Districts, Special Occasions and Sister Jurisdictions tells something of the sacrifice and effort the Grand Master has made during his year in office.

We commend the interest of the Grand Master in the younger Freemasons and his desire to infuse into them the true spirit of the Craft.

We commend the reference made in regard to those who have passed to the Grand Lodge Above and the Special mention of such leaders as His Majesty, King George VI, M.W. Brother Ben. C. Parker, M.W. Brother Peter T. Pilkey and M.W. Brother George Hunter.

We commend the reference made by the Grand Master to the progress recorded throughout this Grand Jurisdiction in the past year—not only have the young men continued to knock on our door for admission, but four Lodges were Constituted and Consecrated and three others Instituted

We commend the recommendations of the Grand Master with regard to—

1. The continued support of the Banff Conference.
2. The continued effort on the part of the Committee on Masonic Research and Education and the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry to assist the District Deputy Grand Masters in the development of District Meetings and in the development of Area Meetings, to the end that they bring to the members, an inspiration and challenge of responsibility for the welfare of the Craft. Your Committee concurs in all official Acts of the Grand Master during his term of office.

In conclusion, your Committee desires to congratulate our Grand Master on the completion of a very successful year in the service of Free-Masonry. He has made reference to the whole-hearted support given to him by his whole slate of Officers, which shows that he was not only surrounded by a group of interested brethren, but that he gave them the type of leadership that calls forth the best in one's associate Officers;

Respectfully submitted,

MAURICE S. DONOVAN,
Chairman
Committee on Grand Master's Address.

This report was presented by the Chairman, M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan (158), who moved its adoption, seconded by M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (11) and carried.

ADDRESS OF GRAND HISTORIAN

"EARLY FREEMASONRY IN THE CANADIAN WEST"

The Masonic student, as well as the youngest Mason in this gathering, might reasonably ask "When did Freemasonry first make its appearance in organized form in the West?" We take the enquirer back to the days when the only settlement in the West was centered at "The Forks" and extended about twenty miles in each direction along the banks of the Red and the Assiniboine Rivers. There was no town, no village, no organized municipality and the place or rather the district was known to the outside world as Red River Settlement. Where the City of Winnipeg stands today were the McDermott, the Bannatyne, the Ross and the Logan homesites—and the prospect of opening a Masonic Lodge under such circumstances would seem hopeless. In all, there were probably ten dwelling houses adjacent to the location known today as Portage and Main.

During the latter part of the summer of 1863 and the early fall of that year, Hatch's Independent Battalion of Cavalry, Minnesota Volunteers, was organized for the express purpose of securing the Sioux Indians who had been in revolt in 1862-63. This military establishment was sent to the International border and located at Pembina in Dakota Territory. Among the troops were a number of Freemasons and under the leadership of C. W. Nash, who became the Worshipful Master, a dispensation was obtained from the Grand Lodge of Minnesota to open Northern Light Lodge at Pembina.

At the time this dispensation was issued the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota appears to have had a vision of the future. From a letter written by the first Master—C. W. Nash, we read, "the prayer of the petition was granted; the Grand Master remarking that by his step the brethren of Fort Garry would be able to secure, what for a long time had been their desire. That it would open the door to those who were worthy and well qualified. That it was hoped and expected that there would be a sufficient number apply for the degrees who were permanent residents of Fort Garry and vicinity to warrant the planting of a lodge there, whenever the troops were moved away. If this should be the case the brethren upon a proper petition were to have a petition issued."

The original Northern Light Lodge held its inaugural meeting at Pembina, Dakota Territory early in January

1864, using the officers' quarters for a lodge room. Five months later, on May 8th, the soldiers were moved to Fort Abercrombie, and all the lodge papers, records, petitions and documents along with the dispensation were returned to the Grand Lodge of Minnesota.

Reference has been made to "the brethren" then residing in Fort Garry (1863). This matter has intrigued me because on account of the isolated location and the lack of transportation facilities, it was impossible for the residents to become members of a lodge. If there were any Masons they must have been recent settlers who had been made in other centres. A little research discloses that Dr. John C. Schultz had been initiated prior to his coming to Red River in 1860 and at the first meeting of the (military) lodge at Pembina he occupied the Junior Deacon's chair. Another Freemason was Charles Curtis, then a resident at Sturgeon Creek, who was employed in building the log huts for the soldiers at Pembina. A third brother in the person of Matthew Connor was also at Red River. This was the entire Masonic population in March, 1864, when this news item appeared in the "Nor Wester"—the first newspaper to be published in the West and edited by William Coldwell, the Secretary of the lodge when it was instituted.

> "A party from this Settlement proceeded to Pembina a few weeks since to join the Masonic Order, through the Lodge established there. They took the necessary degrees to qualify them to open a Lodge here, which it is their intention to do on receipt of a dispensation from the Grand Lodge, application for which has already been made."

It is evident the petitioners received all three degrees at the one meeting; such a procedure was not uncommon, a century ago. The candidates who participated in this eventful meeting were A. G. B. Bannatyne, William Inkster, W. B. Hall, Robert Morgan and William Coldwell.

Within two months from the day of this memorable visit to Pembina a petition was submitted to the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, as follows:

> "The undersigned petitioners being Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, having the prosperity of the fraternity at heart, and willing to exert their best endeavours to promote and diffuse the genuine principles of Masonry, respectfully represent that they are desirous of forming a new Lodge in the Red River Settlement, Rupert's Land, to be named Northern Light Lodge; they further pray for letters of dispensation, or a warrant of constitution, to empower them to assemble as a legal lodge to discharge the duties of Masonry in a regular and constitutional manner, according to the original forms of the order, and the regulations of the Grand Lodge.
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> "They have nominated and recommend Brother John Schultz, to be the first Master, Andrew G. B. Bannatyne, to be the first Senior Warden, and William Inkster, to be the first Junior Warden of said Lodge.

"If prayer of the petition is granted, they promise a strict conformity to the constitution, laws and regulations, of the Grand Lodge.

"Andrew G. B. Bannatyne
William Inkster
Charles Curtis
W. B. Hall
Robert Morgan
William Coldwell
John Schultz
Matthew Connor

"Assiniboia, British America
27th April, 1864."

The dispensation was issued at St. Paul, Minnesota, under date 20th May 1864 and in connection therewith it is significant that the Grand Master, A. T. C. Pierson makes this reference in his address. "During the year, I renewed the dispensation of Northern Light Lodge *removing it to the Red River Settlement.*"

The inaugural meeting of the newly formed Lodge at Red River Settlement was held in the lodge room, over the store of A. G. B. Bannatyne, on the evening of November 8th, 1864. This was the first regular meeting of a Masonic Lodge in the Canadian North West.

It is a sad corollary but we Canadians have been too busy in the advance against our huge frontiers to think of the tomorrow and what should be learned from a backward glance. To many people Manitoba is one of the young members of the Dominion with its story beginning in 1870. How many in this audience know that Manitoba is the central portion of a region that has been under one flag more continuously than any other part of continental North America? It has never been under any other flag than the British since Thomas Button arrived at the mouth of the Nelson river in 1612. We have no Masonic records of that far off day and cannot advance any claim to Masonic priority so far back but in the story of Canada the people of Manitoba hold an enviable position.

However, on the shore of Hudson's Bay, at Churchill, stand the ruins of Fort Prince of Wales, built by the Hudson's Bay Company, about 1733-40. There, in the bleak solitude of the North, chiselled on each massive block of stone built into the fortress over two hundred years ago, we can still see the distinctive individual mark of the operative mason who cut the stone. Were these men speculative as well as operative Masons? Time may give an affirmative answer, but meantime we must content ourselves with the knowledge that they left their Mason's marks on the stones they cut.

As we study the period in Western history when "Fur was King," we become familiar with the names of the men who blazed trails and established civilized customs among the nomadic residents. We seldom associate these fur traders with any other activity. But, like ourselves, they did have other interests. One of these individuals was James Finlay, who established for himself a reputation as a man of courage and enterprise. He was the first English speaking trader to penetrate "the lone land" after the French. In the year 1767 he located at Neepawie (Nipiwin) said to be site of the uppermost French post. Twenty-four years afterwards he was in charge of an outpost of the N.W. Co. and Sir Alexander Mackenzie makes reference to his being in charge of the newly established depot on the Peace River in 1792. His name is perpetuated by one of the northern tributaries of Peace River, called after him, Finlay River.

He was chosen one of the twelve "most respectable citizens," six English and six French, who drew up the articles of capitulation presented to General Montgomery in November, 1775.

Why make reference to these details in this address? *James Finlay was a prominent Freemason.* We learn that he was constant in his attendance at St. Peter's Lodge, Montreal, in 1771, and from 1776 until his death, he held active membership and occupied the Master's chair for some time. I believe we can regard him as the first Freemason to travel the western plains of Canada.

Another individual around whose name many stirring memories are gathered was Archibald Norman McLeod, also a pioneer fur trader. He figured largely in the Seven Oaks affair (1816) and it appears he was the moving spirit behind the attempt to drive the Selkirk Settlers away from Red River. His connection with Freemasonry is also centered in St. Peter's Lodge, Montreal, which he visited when sojourning in that city.

The two Craftsmen mentioned were undoubtedly the earliest contacts made by Freemasons in the West and no other brother appears on the scene until Northern Light Lodge was instituted at Red River in 1864. From that time onward we have a recorded history. The available material concerning the pioneer lodge—Northern Light—consists of the original dispensation and minute book which, however, ends with the meeting held 18th April 1866. During its brief existence the members had been diligent and had initiated 17 members. There must have been a later minute book because from another source we learn that on 23rd December 1867, A. G. B. Bannatyne was elected Worshipful

Master; Thos. Bunn, Senior Warden; and John Bunn, Junior Warden. From that date the life and work of Northern Light Lodge is obscure. Trouble had developed in the Settlement over the transfer of the territory and it is evident the members quietly decided to suspend activities. As a result the Lodge never met again. Masonry had, however, been introduced in the West.

There is a connecting link in the story of Freemasonry in the West with the events leading up to the creation of the Province of Manitoba. Let us briefly follow through.

In 1868, the Imperial Government passed Rupert's Land Act, to provide for the surrender of Rupert's Land to the Crown and negotiations for the transfer of the rights claimed by the Hudson's Bay Company began in 1869. These arrangements met with a mixed reception at Red River. Suspicion and antagonisms were rampant in certain parts of the district and these finally developed into the Riel Rebellion. Riel seized Fort Garry in November 1869 and held it until August 1870, when the expedition under Lord Wolseley, then a Colonel, arrived and re-established constituted authority.

The troops, under Wolseley, left Collingwood, Ontario, on 21st May, 1870 and reached Fort Garry on 24th August, 1870. It is not surprising that in a body of soldiers numbering 750, we find several members of the Masonic Craft attached to the different units. In the course of their journey westward these men had frequent opportunity to fraternize, to discuss their Masonic experiences and affiliations and doubtless dream dreams for the future.

When the disbandment of the troops took place at Fort Garry not a few decided to remain in the West. Within three months after their arrival the Freemasons in the group who did not return east met informally and organized "Winnipeg Lodge" under dispensation. The first meeting of the new Lodge was held on 10th December, 1870, and a month later it was decided to change the name to "Prince Rupert's Lodge" which name the Lodge has carried through the succeeding years. When the Grand Lodge of Canada met in Annual Communication at Ottawa in 1871 Prince Rupert's Lodge received its charter and was numbered 240 on the Grand Register.

It will be recalled that the original Masonic Lodge in Red River Settlement—Northern Light—was an outgrowth from a lodge, the charter members of which were all members of a Military establishment at Pembina. In the case of Prince Rupert's Lodge it is significant that here again all the Charter Members had been connected with the Wolseley Expedition. The Worshipful Master was R. Stewart Paterson, Chaplain to the Forces; Lieut. William N. Kennedy was Senior Warden; Sergeant-Major Matthew Coyne was Junior Warden; and of the others E. Armstrong was Quartermaster, D. M. Walker, Lieut., A. R. McDonald, Surgeon, Jas. T. B. Morrice, Paymaster and Henry T. Champion.

The first Worshipful Master of Prince Rupert's Lodge returned to Ontario five months after he had instituted the lodge and never came back to Winnipeg. He came into the limelight some ten years later at which time he sought, by petition, a dispensation to open a lodge at Gibraltar with himself as W.M. The petition carried a rider to the effect that "the place of meeting should be ultimately removed to some city in Morocco." The dispensation was issued and the lodge subsequently received a charter and the number sixteen (16) on our Register and was designated "El Moghreb al Aska Lodge."

An immediate objection was lodged by both the Grand Lodge of England and the Grand Lodge of Scotland. The whole proceedings by the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, in our opinion, were irregular.

An urgent cable was sent to Brother Paterson instructing him not to constitute the lodge but it arrived too late, the ceremony had already taken place. Not only had Brother Paterson constituted the lodge but he had convened what he termed "an occasional Grand Lodge" at which meeting he constituted a Territorial Grand Lodge. His actions were repudiated by the Grand Lodge of Manitoba who recalled the charter of the lodge, requested the return of all documents and revoked the commission issued to Brother Paterson. Our brother ignored these demands. The lodge submitted a plea that they were innocent victims and had not been advised of the pronouncement of Grand Lodge. Subsequently the lodge was reinstated and domiciled in Tangier. The final act in this drama is summarized in 1890 with the brief statement "suspended for failure to submit returns." Evidently the sojourn of Brother Paterson in the wide open spaces of Western Canada had widened his horizon and gave him queer ideas when he went to the Mediterranean.

This episode might be considered a digression but it is so closely associated with Freemasonry in the West these few paragraphs are justifiable.

The members of Prince Rupert's Lodge did not long enjoy the distinction of being the only Masonic Lodge in Manitoba. On 20th February, 1871, "Manitoba" Lodge under dispensation from the Grand Lodge of Canada, met for the first time at Lower Fort Garry. This lodge, like its neighbour at Winnipeg, decided to change its name and consequently it became Lisgar Lodge No. 244. G.R.C. In 1879 the place of meeting was removed to the town of Selkirk where it has worked ever since.

The influx of new settlers and the enthusiasm of the brethren who had settled in Winnipeg made it necessary, in the judgment of one group, to organize a second lodge in the City. On December 9th, 1872, Ancient Landmark Lodge was instituted and in due course a charter was issued and the lodge numbered 288 on the Register of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

These three pioneer lodges did yeoman work under the difficult and trying conditions of a frontier town. When the Grand Lodge of Manitoba was organized in 1875, by reason of their priority Prince Rupert's Lodge received No. 1, Lisgar Lodge No. 2, and Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3, on its register.

From the earliest times the men who made their homes in this part of our wide Dominion have shown remarkable courage and enterprise and at times it seems as if an inspired vision had directed their efforts. What a vast expanse of territory came under the jurisdiction of the few brethren who organized the Grand Lodge of Manitoba. Do we realize today that the men who unfurled the banner of Freemasonry in this land were in truth, Empire Builders. They unquestionably carried their obligation to make daily progress into practice by building churches, schools, hospitals, and in organizing all the necessary activities required in a civilized community.

The Red Letter Day in the Masonic history of the west was Wednesday, 12th May, 1875, because on that day the Grand Lodge of Manitoba was instituted. This was a bold adventure. There were only three lodges within the wide jurisdiction assumed by the young Grand Lodge and the combined membership was less than 200. The men who directed the course were ready and willing to accept the responsibility of governing not only three duly constituted lodges but all the future lodges that inevitably would be instituted across half a continent. Thus sovereign Masonic authority passed from the Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario) to the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

It would appear that four brethren stand out as the prime leaders of the sturdy pioneers who organized the Grand Lodge of Manitoba. William C. Clarke, a Scot who had been initiated in True Briton Lodge No. 14, Perth, Ontario; he was elected Grand Master; William N. Kennedy, Deputy Grand Master, had been brought to Masonic Light in Corinthian Lodge No. 101, Peterboro, Ontario. James Henderson, another Scot, hailed from Zetland Lodge No. 21, Montreal, and John H. Bell a native of London, Ontario brought a certificate issued by St. John's Lodge No. 20, London, Ontario. As Joseph Fort Newton so aptly said, "they were men of faith who builded better than they knew . . . They believed in the future, in the growth of large things from small beginnings."

With the creation of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba it might be expected the members would organize new lodges without delay. This was not the case. The surrounding territory opened up for settlement slowly because there was no direct means of transportation to and from the East. The City of Winnipeg had been incorporated in 1873 and naturally it became the centre of activity. About two months after Grand Lodge was formed a dispensation was issued to St. John's Lodge. The reason given for the formation of St. John's Lodge was that several unaffiliated brethren hailing from the Maritime Provinces, from Western Ontario and the United States desired to work the ceremonies according to the system they were familiar with—thus the American or so-called York Rite was adopted by the new lodge and shortly thereafter by Ancient Landmark Lodge. A dispensation was also issued to Hiram Lodge—East Kildonan, about the same time.

In 1876, Emerson Lodge was instituted at the border town of that name and in 1878 a dispensation was issued to Assiniboine Lodge to meet at Portage la Prairie. Thus we can see that new lodges did not come into being overnight. It is interesting to learn that by reason of Emerson Lodge being located in the centre of an isolated territory permission to initiate residents of the State of Minnesota and Dakota Territory was granted by arrangement with the respective Grand Masters.

Today we travel from Winnipeg to Emerson by highway in less than two hours. At the time the officers of Grand Lodge instituted the lodge they were obliged to travel by steamboat and it required four days to make the visit.

The year 1878 was one of disaster in Manitoba Masonic circles. An unfortunate schism took place and two groups represented themselves as the Grand Lodge of Manitoba. The beginning of the rupture occurred at the Third Annual Communication held in June 1878. It is a long story and we won't make an extended reference to it here. Later in 1878—toward the close of the year, the "schismatics" held a meeting which they designated "Third Annual Communication." They elected officers and also installed them. Three weeks later, the same group, held the "fourth annual communication" and re-elected the same slate as had been previously elected. At this meeting they issued warrants to four new lodges none of which had previously obtained a dispensation nor had they been instituted. It is doubtful if this experience can be duplicated in Canada or elsewhere. Only two of the four lodges commenced to work right away, the other two were later instituted by the Regular Grand Lodge in proper form. Peace and harmony were restored at the Fourth Annual Communication largely through the offices of Brother S. P. Matheson, afterwards Primate of Canada.

We should note that during the cleavage no attempt to issue dispensations to new lodges had been made by Grand Lodge but immediately the breach was healed Gladstone Lodge was instituted. We mention this event because the Grand Master left a pen picture of his official visit in 1880 when he constituted the Lodge.

> "I approach the subject of my visit to this lodge with remembrances of mud and water. Mud of such depth and tenacity as is only found in Manitoba when it happens to be muddy, and water of a coldness which still makes me shiver when I think of it, and which V.W. Brother House says 'nearly used him up.' This lodge is about one hundred miles from Winnipeg and the trip had to be made by team. At Portage La Prairie, R.W. Bro. R. McCuaig joined Brother House and myself, Bro. Small acting as guide. The latter said repeatedly, the roads were 'not bad'—we wondered what 'bad' meant—and Brother Small gave us the desired information. But beyond walking some miles, and occasionally helping the horses to pull the wagon, wet feet and muddy clothes, and wading a creek on our return, the coldness of the water causing Bro. House to utter strange sounds, we met no mishaps."

Thus, in the ten year period, beginning from the time the Province of Manitoba had entered Confederation in 1870, only eleven lodges had been instituted, the one at Gladstone, 100 miles distant from Winnipeg being the farthest from the centre. But, evidence of Masonic activity was present in far off Prince Albert, N.W.T. Here we find a group of Masons with a problem on their hands. They wanted a dispensation to form Kinistino Lodge but the existence of two Grand Lodges in Manitoba, the nearest Grand Jurisdiction, raised doubts as to which one would receive the petition if sent there. Inasmuch as the North West Territories was beyond the boundary of Manitoba they applied to the Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario) and received their dispensation from that source. The first meeting of this lodge was held on Friday, 3rd October, 1879, the first Worshipful Master being, Chas. F. Young. Kinistino Lodge was numbered 381, G.R.C. and continued under this Jurisdiction until 1882 when arrangements were made with the Grand Lodge of Canada, who had issued the original charter, and the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, to transfer its allegiance to Manitoba. Thus Kinistino Lodge became No. 16 on the Manitoba register. Subsequently, when the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan was formed, Kinistino became No. 1 in that Jurisdiction.

Settlement was slowly moving westward and the horizons of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba expanded in the process. During 1882, petitions to form lodges were received from two widely separated points—Rat Portage in the District of Keewatin and Edmonton to the west. Dispensations were duly issued and subsequently, Saskatchewan Lodge No. 17 meeting at Edmonton and Pequonga, No. 22, meeting at Rat Portage were constituted.

To-day the City of Edmonton is the Capital of the Province of Alberta and the oil centre of Canada. By some strange alchemy the pioneer lodge which opened in 1882 seems to have been premature and ahead of time. It had difficulty in functioning and after striving against the odds for seven years it voluntarily surrendered its charter in 1889. The building of the railway in 1890-1891 brought an improvement in the situation and Masonic activity was revived in 1892 when Edmonton Lodge received its dispensation and carried on from there.

The brethren of Pequonga Lodge, Rat Portage, carried the banner of the Craft under the Grand Lodge of Manitoba until 1887, when they were compelled to transfer their allegiance, very unwillingly, to the Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario). The part of Keewatin Territory in which Rat Portage was situated was in dispute and in 1887, the Privy Council decided the town was in the Province of Ontario; consequently it was outside the territorial Jurisdiction of Manitoba. Masonic precedent gave this lodge to the Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario).

As we consider the story of Freemasonry in the West we are apt to pay little attention to the impact made on the social life of the territory by the construction of the C.P.R. This phase did not occur to me until quite recently. Only a brief comment on this important fact can be given in a short address but it carries a human interest. Let us journey westward with the construction gang.

On July 26th, 1881, the C.P.R. ran its first train over Louise Bridge into Winnipeg. There was only one town of any size from Eastern Ontario to the British Columbia shore and Winnipeg itself did not have 8000 inhabitants when construction of the transcontinental railway line began westward in 1881. The first sod of the section had been turned on May 2nd, 1881, and the construction gangs reached Calgary on 18th August, 1883. To the East the last gap north of Lake Superior was closed May 17th, 1885, and on November 7th of the same year the last spike was driven home. The first through train left Montreal on June 28th, 1886, and it arrived at Port Moody on July 4th. There was no City of Vancouver then only a clearing in the forest primeval which clearing had begun about 90 days before. This is the setting for the development of Masonic lodges clear across the prairies.

We cross the Red River then on the first train in July 1881 and follow the construction line westward. On 22nd May of that year, a solitary shanty, built by the original claimant of the S. ½ of Section 23, Tp. 10, R. 19 W.—Robert Adamson, was, with the tents of the survey party, the only evidence of settlement where the City of Brandon was located. The first grading of the railway west of Portage la Prairie was commenced the same week and by June it had passed through Brandon. Six months after the arrival of the construction gang—on January 16th, 1882, Brandon Lodge No. 19—G.R.M. was instituted with Peter McGregor, Worshipful Master.

The railway tracks reached the banks of the Wascana river on 23rd August, 1882. A site for the future City of Regina had been selected, jointly, by the Dominion Government and the C.P.R. The place was familiarly known at the time of construction as "Pile O' Bones," and when the first train pulled in the only sign of habitation was a group of tents. Our brethren of the Mystic Tie seem to have kept pace with the track builders and this is evidenced from the fact that six months after the steel was laid a dispensation was issued to 14 petitioners authorizing them to open Wascana Lodge at Regina. The first W.M. was J. H.

Benson, the date of the dispensation 20th February and the first meeting was held on 6th March, 1883.

By the month of December, 1882, the railway was open to Moose Jaw and by the time the winter snow had disappeared the town had began to have the appearance of a settled community. Under date 24th September, 1883, a dispensation was issued to 28 petitioners and on 9th October Moose Jaw Lodge was instituted. The first Worshipful Master to preside over this lodge was E. H. D. D. Hall.

When construction work closed down in 1882 the steel had reached 25 miles east of Medicine Hat. In the following spring this prospective city consisted of two stores on the east side of the river and one on the west side. The owners anxiously waited the advent of the railway while a town of canvas sprang up as by magic. The steel reached Medicine Hat in 1883 but our Masonic brethren here did not act as promptly as they did elsewhere all along the line. Dispensation to Medicine Hat Lodge did not issue until 16th June 1885. The first W.M. was Thos. Macpherson, the S.W. Silas B. Yuill, and the J.W. Thomas Tweed. Brother Macpherson was one of the great army engaged in the construction of the C.P.R. and in due time he arrived at Medicine Hat where he was employed on the construction of a narrow gauge line to Lethbridge known to old timers as "The Turkey Trail." Later in 1887 he was transferred by his employers to Lethbridge where he organized a lodge and became its first Worshipful Master. He along with his first Junior Warden—Thos. Tweed—were trailblazers in the realm of Masonry in Alberta.

The first train to pull into Calgary arrived in August, 1883. At that time the place consisted of a dozen log houses, the principal one being a trading post which supplied the trappers and wandering nomads of the foothills country. The only connection it had with the outside world was by means of "bull teams" which hauled its supplies from Fort Benton, the head of navigation on the Missouri river in Montana. A story from the days of railway construction tells about Herbert Holt, a young Irishman, chief engineer of construction for C.P.R. When the line reached the Bow River, the group of buildings was not so near the tracks as the residents wished. They wanted to move the Post Office near the station but the government did not move fast enough to satisfy the people even though the building was a mere shack. Holt solved the problem by taking a bull team to the building and moving it to a spot selected by the dozen or so residents. Since there was no one with authority or bulls to move it back again, there it remained and in a short time all the inhabitants followed suit. We cannot tell if any of the Masonic brethren took part in this episode—doubtless they did. On 10th January 1884, a petition signed by 24 brethren was granted and dispensation issued to open a lodge, designated Bow River Lodge and confirming Neville J. Lindsay as first Worshipful Master.

We have travelled across the prairie in company with the men who constructed the Canadian Pacific Railway and it is evident the contemporaneous development of Masonry and the opening of these lodges was one of the earliest contributions to the community life. A fair sized volume could be developed from this particular phase of activity, perhaps we have already expanded the subject too much for the present purpose. The temptation could not be resisted.

The jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge had widened to such an extent that at the ninth Annual Communication held in February 1884 it was decided to constitute a new District to comprise all the territory west of the Western boundaries of Manitoba. By this arrangement, Kinistino Lodge meeting at Prince Albert, Saskatchewan Lodge at Edmonton, Wascana Lodge at Regina, Moose Jaw Lodge at Moose Jaw, and Bow River Lodge at Calgary were formed into the sixth Masonic District. The first incumbent of the office of D.D.G.M. was Rev. Canon James Flett of Prince Albert—a fine tribute to the pioneer lodge of the district and also to the brother who was Worshipful Master of Kinistino Lodge at the time this Lodge transferred its allegiance to the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

The construction of the Canadian Pacific Railway was not the only undertaking that caused the Grand Lodge of Manitoba to lengthen its cable tow. Gold was discovered in the Klondyke in the Fall of 1896. When news of the strike reached the outside world thousands started for the diggings. By 1898 some 18,000 persons were domiciled in the region. It was natural that in a population of this size there would be some Freemasons. How many must be left to conjecture. They, in common with other brethren who participated in opening new frontiers wanted their lodge, so on October 15th, 1898, a dispensation was issued authorizing Klondyke Lodge to be instituted at Dawson City, District of Yukon. The petition was signed by 21 charter members and William Edward Thompson named as Worshipful Master. Authority was given to Brother Thompson to institute the Lodge.

It would appear that by reason of the irregularity of the mail service and the isolated position of the Yukon considerable delay was occasioned. When Grand Lodge met at Regina in June 1899 it was reported that no information had been received from Klondyke Lodge. Evidently the right of Manitoba to issue a dispensation was challenged by the Grand Lodge of British Columbia who enquired if Manitoba claimed exclusive jurisdiction in the Yukon. The reply was to the effect that Manitoba claimed no more rights in the territory than British Columbia. Another year passed by and again we read that no communication had been received from Klondyke Lodge. There is no record in Manitoba to indicate that this Lodge was ever instituted.

A second petition, signed by 14 brethren, was received in 1900 and on 20th October of that year a dispensation was issued to Yukon Lodge to meet at Dawson City; C. H. Wells was named as Worshipful Master. This Lodge was instituted on December 27th, 1900, by Brother R. A. Cowan and in 1901 it received number 79 on the Manitoba register.

Another lodge in the Yukon came to life in 1902. A dispensation was issued to open Whitehorse Lodge at Whitehorse on March 5th, 1902. There were 16 signatories to the petition and the first Worshipful Master was N. J. Lindsay. This lodge subsequently was registered as No. 81, Grand Lodge of Manitoba. It is interesting to note that the neighbouring lodges at Dawson City and Whitehorse were separated by a distance of 460 miles by river and 360 miles over the winter trail. These two lodges continued under the jurisdiction of Manitoba until 1907 when both petitioned for authority to surrender their charters and permit them to seek warrants under the Grand Lodge of British Columbia. It was resolved "That the petition of Yukon Lodge No. 79 and Whitehorse Lodge No. 81, be granted, to date not earlier than June the 25th, 1907, and that the charters be returned to the said Lodges after cancellation and subject to acceptance of such lodges by the Grand Lodge of British Columbia. The transfer was consummated and two lodges with a combined membership of 147 were lost to Manitoba. This closed an early contact between Manitoba and a distant part of the Dominion, but let us return to the Prairies.

It is dangerous to draw conclusions and express opinions when dealing with historic events. Whether it was discontent or ambition we do not know and the story left to us does not disclose the reason behind a movement which existed in the Alberta District in 1890. It would appear some of the brethren desired a Grand Lodge for Alberta. All that has been preserved in connection with the matter is the comment of the Grand Master who reported: "I have been notified of the intention of certain brethren residing in the District of Alberta, to constitute a Grand Lodge to be known as the Grand Lodge of Alberta. Such a Grand Lodge would manifestly violate one of the fundamental laws of Masonic jurisdiction, viz.—'that each Grand Lodge must at least be co-extensive with some Province or State which has a seat of government of its own.' Alberta is not a Province in this sense of the word. Should the Lodges contained in the whole territory, under the control of the Governmental authorities at Regina, apply to us for recognition, the case would be entirely different." Nothing came of the move and we hear no more about forming a Grand Lodge of Alberta until 1905; the year Alberta became a Province. At the next succeeding Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, the Grand Master reported the creation of the Grand Lodge of Alberta in these words:

"The granting of Provincial autonomy to the Northwest Territories was followed by the organization of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, which important event took place at Calgary on October 12th, 1905. All the Lodges in the Province of Alberta, except one, were represented and the proceedings were characterized by the utmost harmony and good feeling. I had the pleasure of being present on the occasion and installed the officers of the new Grand Lodge . . . I would recommend that our official recognition be extended to the Grand Lodge of Alberta and that she be extended a hearty welcome into the sisterhood of Grand Lodges. I would recommend that the question of finances be taken into consideration at this Annual Communication . . . all the Lodges in our jurisdiction have been contributing annually in the form of fees and dues. Our brethren in the new Province have done their full share and I would recommend that we deal not only justly but generously with our offspring as they go out from the parental roof." The first Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta was Dr. George Macdonald of Calgary. The separation of 18 lodges in Alberta reduced the membership in Manitoba by 1053.

The action of the brethren in Alberta could not remain unnoticed by the Freemasons in the adjoining Province of Saskatchewan. With the arrival of Spring in 1906 a group of brethren residing in Regina organized themselves into a committee to enquire into and report upon the advisability of forming a Grand Lodge in Saskatchewan. Later, a convention was held at Prince Albert on May 25th, 1906. Committees were then appointed to make preliminary arrangements and discuss matters with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba. Although the Annual Communication was held in Winnipeg about three weeks later, no reference whatever was made in open session regarding the proposed new Grand Lodge. We learn from the attendance register that representatives from fifteen of the twenty-four chartered lodges in Saskatchewan were present and it is a reasonable deduction to presume the question was fully discussed.

A convention of all the lodges in Saskatchewan was held in Regina, on August 9th, 1906, and 25 out of 29 were represented at the meetings. The Grand Master of Manitoba, John McKechnie, in company with Jas. A. Ovas, Grand Secretary, and Geo. B. Murphy, Past Grand Master, were also in attendance. The Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan was then brought into being and the first Grand Master was H. H. Campion of Indian Head. The installation ceremony was conducted by Brothers McKechnie and Ovas of Manitoba. By the creation of this new Grand Lodge the Jurisdiction of Manitoba removed from its register 29 lodges with a membership of 898.

In June 1908 a request was submitted by the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan asking the same consideration with respect to Grand Lodge finances as had been promised to the Grand Lodge of Alberta in 1906. It was decided to make a grant of $1000 to each of the two recently created Grand Lodges and by the time the Annual Communication was held in 1909 the obligation had been fully discharged.

So brethren you have the story of "Early Freemasonry in the Canadian West." I have used a lot of words to tell it but please keep in mind the vast territory included in the term "Canadian West." I have treated the word "early" as "the beginning" which required me to deal largely with "firsts." In following this trend I have tried to narrate the starting points in the realm of Freemasonry. I have been obliged to abbreviate the details without destroying the substance and I trust my endeavor has been successful. It is truly a most interesting page in Canadian history.

Now let me add a final word. There is a tendency in some quarters to regard Grand Lodge as a piece of machinery, or an institution, colorless and lifeless. This is a weird and unreal conception. When we carefully examine what our founders had to contend with we are amazed. They did not have the numbers, the facilities, the financial standing that exists today. Only a few composed our various Grand Lodges when they were first instituted. They were men of flesh and blood just as we are. There were times when they did not know what in the world to do, still they always managed to pull through.

Let us pay tribute to their grit, their valor, their refusal to say die, their ingenuity. Yes they were just like ourselves in many respects. They too also enjoyed the refreshment hour after the labor of the evening was ended. They swapped their stories, laughed and sang their favorite songs till the "wee sma' hours." They were human in every sense and when it was time to go home, like the Craftsmen of our own day they found fellowship and brotherhood in the clasp of the hand and the message of their farewell song—For Auld Lang Syne.

May it ever be so in all our Lodges.

The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Blythe thanked the Grand Historian, M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas, most sincerely for his most interesting and informative address.

GREETINGS FROM DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

At this time, the M.W. Grand Master called on M.W. Bro. W. J. Dunlop, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada (in Ontario) who brought greetings from his Grand Lodge, and as a representative of the Mother Grand Lodge of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, informed the brethren that he looked with pride on our achievements of the past Seventy-six years. He urged the youth of our Grand Lodge to study Freemasonry, get interested in some particular phase of the Craft, the history, symbolism or philosophy, and prepare talks which they could give to gatherings of the brethren and he was sure many would be improved by the information which was studied and then passed along.

ADJOURNMENT

The Grand Lodge Session was adjourned at 12.00 noon to enable the brethren to attend the Luncheon given under the auspices of the Past Masters' Association of Greater Winnipeg.

GRAND LODGE LUNCHEON

A complimentary Luncheon was provided for the out-of-town brethren and Distinguished Guests by the Past Masters' Association of Greater Winnipeg, supported by the Lodges in the First and Twelfth Districts and Kildonan, The Dormer and Seven Oaks Lodges in the Tenth District.

Luncheon was served at 12.30 noon with R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat (139) President of the Past Masters' Association in the Chair. V.W. Bro. A. E. Duff (130) introduced the guest speaker, Bro. Mr. Justice Ralph W. Maybank, who gave the following Address:

To address such a representative gathering of Masons is a great and welcome opportunity. Our craft, an international institution, a body of far flung ramifications and connections, is an epitome of all that is best in the communities from which those here today have come. One knows, facing an audience such as this, that he has before him an influence both as great and beneficent as may be found anywhere.

My words will be about a subject dear to my heart. I wish to speak about this country. For 21 years I have been intimately associated with legislative matters relating to its development. To the great contributions of many, I sought to add my mite. Hence I view with pride what I see today. A hope is merged with that pride. I hope Tennyson's lines will apply to *our* future. He wrote:

> "Men my brothers, men the workers,
> Ever reaping something new;
> That which they have done,
> But earnest, of the things that they shall do."

It is our privilege to have among us today people from south of the border, people from our great and good neighbor, the land of Uncle Sam. Their presence reminds me to say that one of Canada's priceless assets which has helped her onward through the years has been the fact that she has had on her south, good neighbors, people who were generous, unconvetous, and admirable in every way.

Also, in view of this presence of American brethren, and because I will be detailing facts about Canada, it may not be amiss to say that large numbers of Americans, perhaps most of them, make a mistake in their appraisal of this country and its people. They are not to be blamed for this, because we have done little to clear up the matter. The idea seems to persist south of the 49th that Canada is in some sense a vassal state. It is impossible to think of any error that is more foundationless than that one. This is not an English or British country, any more than it is a French country. We have our extra territorial connections which are of our own choice and making, but no law of any kind except Canadian law, has any force whatever in Canada. We entertain an affection, a profound respect, and a keen admiration for and of, British character, but the actual bonds between us are bonds of sentiment, which, it has been aptly said, are as light as air yet strong as steel. We pay no tax or tribute anywhere outside our boundaries. Canadian democracy is supreme. To the extent indeed that United States herself is free and on her own, we are free and on our own.

No long ago the well known magazine *Time* came to the conclusion that Canada, from the journalist's viewpoint, was the world's greatest story and that no one .was telling it. *Time's* editors decided to do something about it, and a few months back they devoted considerable space in an issue partially correcting that journalistic deficiency. The Christian Science *Monitor*, which is easily one of the best dozen newspapers in the world, likewise, recently headed a story: "That hum? That's Canada." Under that caption, after detailing numerous facts, the writer asserted confidently that here shortly was to be one of the world's greatest industrial nations. Again, I note the current issue of *Newsweek* entitles its story "Booming Canada; Bulwark of the West," and then follows in the most glowing terms some statement of what is going on here, and, because they cannot compress it all into one issue, the editors announce that this is one of a series of articles.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier, early in the century prophesied, "The Twentieth is Canada's Century." For a number of years we may have thought that this was something in the way of a splendid rhetorical flourish. At that time Canada was a thin line of settlements between a few widely spaced, not large, cities strung across the continent, and the first transcontinental railway was only about 25 years old. The country's economy was agrarian, and mines were only a gleam in a geologist's eye.

But though we may say Laurier was a man of prophetic vision we can be sure he would be amazed if he could come back today and see some of the happenings since he spoke. One of the first things that would astonish him would be to find that Canada is the only major nation of the western world that writes its budgets in black ink. Every other national treasurer uses red. How also, that prophet would be astounded to learn that his Canada can if necessary pay for the completion of the St. Lawrence Seaway out of current account! Canadians could tell him too, if he returned, that we are the only member of the Grand Alliance of World War II which refused to accept lend lease. Not only is that true but the further fact is true that besides prompt payment for everything we received, we gave away more ordnance and food *on a per capita basis than did the United States of America*, and that nation's generosity has been rightly praised all over the world. Moreover at this very time we are the only members of NATO paying cash over the counter for all supplies, and as outright gifts we send equipment to allies overseas. We have armed Belgian, Dutch and Italian divisions but none of those countries has ever seen an invoice.

Whatever achievements have been possible and will be possible by Canadians in the future, have been and will be due to two things: Resources and National Character. One great resource makes us in a sense, the custodians of the world's freedom. I refer to forests. Without the production from them most of the world's newspapers could not be printed, and to say that freedom of the press is a democratic necessity, is but a trite observation.

We are trustees of wealth of 500 million tons of the best iron ore in the world which can and will add greatly to the transformation of Canada. There is here probably more uranium than anywhere on the continent and it can travel to its destination for use without submarine danger. We hold most of the world's nickel; and have unmeasured resources of copper, zinc, lead, oil and natural gas. Yearly we perform a miracle of loaves and fishes—not exactly like the classic one—but the prairies alone produce food for 100 million people, and the yield of our fisheries can support many millions too. All this is but the most rigorously abridged catalogue of immense resources *which are our trust.*

The application of national character to resources is producing stories that seem to be like fairly tales. In the decade succeeding 1940, wealth creation here jumped from 7 to 17 billions of dollars. Some of this was due to price change but actual physical production increase at 3% per year compounded which means 100% in 23 years. Wealth increases at a higher rate with population increase; and since the declaration of war in 1939 the people of Canada increased by 25%. Population has trebled since the century dawned.

We are guardians of American and world freedom, since we are Uncle Sam's northern flank, and we meet that responsibility at the moment with defence expenditures of 1.7 billions of dollars. Considering population and income of Canada and U.S. this would compare with 23 to 27 billions American. When Canadian defence reaches its peak in about a year it will compare with 40 billions by U.S.

It is often by comparisons that a realization of the import of a statement is seized. Hence I remark that the volume increase since 1946 of defence and defence supporting industries is 36% for Canada. In durable manufactures the rate is 54%. The increase rate is even faster than in U.S. Comparable figures in U.S.A. are 29% and 42% respectively.

New industries spring up every day, as you know, in every part of the land. New techniques come from laboratories every day. New capital is pouring in from all foreign countries but chiefly from United States. (It is not correct to think however that foreign capital is the chief officiating agent in the marriage of Canadian character with Canadian resources. Between 80 and 90 percent of the development money is our own.)

It seems as if all things and forces are conspiring together to make our country one of the world's greatest and most important lands.

Now people entrusted with so great wealth and having so great possibilities, are people who bear commensurate responsibilities. It will not be well for us if, while we are priding ourselves on performances and potentials, we forget that much is expected from him who has received much. Daily, man creates spiritual values as well as material things. Here and now we develop traditions as well as canals, harbors and manufacturing plants and air fields. It was because I had this thought in mind that I spoke once or twice of us being "holders" of resources and being "trustees." I should like to feel that traditions will be born and nurtured in Canada in the keen appreciation of the fact *that we are trustees*.

Most nations act from motives of self-interest. I shall not particularize. But to read apologies of sovereign states you would conclude that nations are always acting, in war especially, on behalf of, or for the sake of, some other nation, never for themselves. Truth is, they act from motives of national self-interest. A modicum of jocund cynicism will serve us well in reading and listening to official protestations and propaganda. We ourselves are not exempt from criticism.

How wonderful it would be if a major Canadian tradition could be that we are a people who know we are trustees; who act in the light of that knowledge, and who are consequently always trying to share the benefits entrusted to us, and that we do this as a nation. The sort of thing I have in mind is assistance such as the Colombo plan, and such as Mr. Truman's Point IV aiming at development of backward places. The Colombo plan whereunder we are contributing a total of 125 million dollars is already showing human progress results. The area for such endeavors is immense and the poverty beggars any attempt at description. But we need not be appalled by difficulties. Christian concepts allied with the scientific spirit can overcome them. I should like to see world wide knowledge built up that this country with its vast wealth and opportunities is always to be found in the forefront of every world betterment project with utterly no regard whatever for whether the things will or will not pay material dividends. Here is a challenge for far flung Masonry and for individual Masons everywhere. They, being the sort of people I mentioned at the start of these remarks, and situated in all the communities of Canada as they are, can do more towards giving currency to such an idea than any other class of people of whom I can think. Should they start to build such a tradition there would be no doubt of the result, for, as a well known fairly recent religious book is entitled, "Ideas Have Legs," and such an idea would travel fast and far to the incalculable benefit of mankind and to the undying credit of Canada.

At the conclusion of this talk, our thanks were expressed by W. Bro. R. J. Emerson, for such a fine and inspiring address.

R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat, President of the Association, proposed the Toast to the M.W. Grand Master, who responded most appropriately in his thanks for the kind remarks made by the President. Bro. J. C. Duncan entertained the brethren with some fine solos.

V.W. Bro. W. J. Breakey (13) thanked the Past Masters' Association and through them the Host Lodges for the fine banquet, the inspiring address and the enjoyable time had by all at the Grand Lodge Luncheon.

THURSDAY, JUNE 5th, 1952

Afternoon Session

LABOR RESUMED

Grand Lodge was called from Refreshment to Labor by the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe at 3.00 p.m.

As the first item on the agenda, the M.W. Grand Master declared the ballot closed.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I herewith submit the Annual Report on Correspondence covering reviews of the Proceedings of Grand Lodges fraternally recognized by the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

In reading through the various Proceedings I have endeavoured to select from them such matters of business and procedure as would be of interest to the Craft in Manitoba.

All Grand Lodges again report an increase in membership, but it noted that many are awakening to the dangers of the worship of bigness in the lodges and this problem is now receiving attention for the best interest of the Craft, and in some of the jurisdictions legislation is being considered to attempt to remedy that trouble.

There is also serious consideration being given to Reclaiming Lost Members, who have demitted, suspended or unaffiliated and is worthy of attention.

In the education of the younger members it is now being discussed in various Grand Lodges that they be given the opportunity to take some part in the degree work.

I trust that the brethren will find pleasure in the reading of this report.

Fraternally submitted,

H. M. KERR,
Chairman.

This report was presented by M.W. Bro. H. Coddington (1); M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole (7) moved that it be adopted, seconded by R.W. Bro. H. H. Gray (141) and carried.

RECOGNITION AND THANKS TO M.W. BROTHER HARRY CODDINGTON

The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe asked the Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington to approach the Grand East, whereupon he was thanked most sincerely for all his work in this Grand Lodge. The Grand Master pointed out that due to the illness of the late M.W. Bro. P. T. Pilkey, M.W. Bro. Coddington had of necessity in 1949 to be Grand Master and Acting Grand Secretary at the same time. Subsequently he had seen our Grand Lodge go through the difficulties encountered during and immediately after the 1950 Flood and now he was accepting the advice of his physician and had not let his name stand in nomination for re-election to the office of Grand Secretary.

M.W. Bro. Blythe then asked M.W. Bro. Coddington to accept a cheque as a gift from our Grand Lodge, as tangible evidence of our appreciation and esteem.

Deeply moved by this gift and the kind words of the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Coddington expressed his thanks and stated he was only too willing to give what help he could as long as his health would permit.

GREETINGS FROM DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

M.W. Bro. Waldo F. Empey, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta presented greetings from his Grand Lodge, and its 16,000 members. He mentioned that he felt the great work of Freemasonry was to put the Great Architect of the Universe back into the lives of the members of our Communities and try to improve the mind of man in these days of great stress. He brought a special greeting from their Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. George Moore, an Honorary Past Grand Master of this Grand Lodge.

M.W. Bro. Glen C. Hulett, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota brought Fraternal Greetings and said his Grand Lodge was proud of their part in early associations with Manitoba Freemasonry in the organization and fraternization of the Craft from the Red River Settlement and the Dacotah Territory. He ended his remarks with "we have a stewardship which we must guard with care, that the heritage of the past may be passed on to the future."

M.W. Bro. George W. Christie, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, in his comments, thanked the

Grand Lodge of Manitoba for its hospitality, for our friendship of long-standing—as Grand Lodge to Grand Lodge, and as individuals to individuals—something he hoped would continue for many many years.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CONDITION OF FREEMASONRY, 1951-1952

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry begs to submit the following report:

Your Committee relies almost entirely for its information on the reports submitted on each lodge by the District Deputy Grand Masters, and this report therefore reflects those reports together with our comments.

The practice in recent years of having frequent meetings with the District Deputy Grand Masters has been continued. These meetings have proved of inestimable value to the representatives of the Grand Master and to this Committee. We recommend they be continued particularly the one held the day after the close of the Annual Communication.

We were pleased that four of the District Deputy Grand Masters found it possible to have organization meetings with the principal officers and secretaries of lodges in their respective districts before they commenced their official visits or held their District Meetings. This was an increase of two over previous years. We recommend that in future all D.D.G.M.s be encouraged to do this.

Whilst there continues to be a marked improvement in lodge reports submitted at District Meetings, there are still some secretaries who have not grasped what is required. One district had very full and complete reports though in this case several of the reports were far too lengthy. What is required is a clear concise picture of the family life of the lodge under the headings: 1, The Work in Lodge; 2, Benevolence, Charity, Good Deeds; 3, Entertainment, Refreshments, Socials. This could be given in most cases in reports of from three to four minutes.

There seems to be an increasing tendency throughout the jurisdiction to allow lodge proceedings to get into local newspapers. Nothing should be printed or published without the permission of the Grand Master.

Whilst on the whole the attendance of the principal officers of lodges at the last Annual Communication was excellent there were 11 lodges that were not represented in this way at all. Out of this 11 seven had neither Past Masters nor officers present. In some instances the complete absence in this manner has been going on for several years. We therefore recommend that special steps be taken in these cases to re-arouse their interest in their Grand Lodge Annual Communication.

In some lodges sufficient privacy is not afforded to candidates being prepared for their degrees. If it is not possible to supply them with separate compartments, they should at least have a room to themselves.

There are still some lodges who have not their Historical Records up to date. This in future years will be a distinct handicap to any brother who is asked to prepare an adequate and comprehensive History of the Lodge for some special anniversary. Every lodge must have at least one brother who would be delighted to be given the opportunity to look after this important and necessary duty, and also to present in lodge annually a review for the previous year.

There seems to be an increasing tendency in some lodges to make fairly substantial contributions out of lodge funds to a number of charitable organizations. Whilst these charities may be highly commendable, they are in most cases outside the realm of lodge funds, and have no doubt already been attended to by the brethren individually.

We would recommend to all lodges the establishment of two special committees—one to keep in touch with the widows of deceased brethren, and the other to look after their Shut-ins and Old Timer members. In some lodges these two committees could no doubt be combined.

A large number of lodges are making splendid use of the booklets issued a few years ago by this Board through the Committee of Research and Education. Every Master should arrange at the completion of each degree to have some competent brother address the candidate and give some explanation of the ceremony through which he has just passed. This will not only instruct the candidate, but also the other brethren present. At the conclusion of his remarks the booklet applicable to the degree should be presented.

The matter of lodge attendance continues to cause concern, particularly at emergent meetings when degrees are to be conferred. This should receive energetic attention by every Master, who should strive to bring the standard of the degree work in his lodge as near perfection as possible.

Our Work is not only unique, but is a literary masterpiece, and is the first means of conveying our teachings to the candidate. It should therefore be given with confidence, in a firm, clear, distinct, unhurried voice with dignity, sincerity and the proper feeling. It is not sufficient to just know the words; one must also know the meaning before being able to teach and hold the proper attention of the candidate and brethren present. One cannot expect the attendance to be what it should be if the opening and closing and degree work are given in a mumbling, stumbling fashion or as a mere rapid recitation.

The attendance continues to be adversely affected by many lodges not opening on time, and the consequent lateness in closing. Many meetings are not organized sufficiently in advance and are then not carried through with interest, energy and dispatch. Many Masters are missing the opportunity of providing interesting and informative evenings, by not making use of material in the printed proceedings of Grand Lodge and in the addresses given at the Banff conferences.

In a few cases regular lodge meetings have not been held in accordance with the by-laws of the lodge. In one instance no notices were sent out to the brethren, which also deprived them of receiving official notification of the District Meeting to be held in their own lodge room that month.

The Committee on the Grand Master's Address at our last Communication endorsed the recommendation that a short Memorial Service be prepared for use by a lodge at its regular meeting following the death of a brother. This was referred to the Board of Custodians, but in the meantime a copy of the service used by Assiniboine Lodge No. 7, Portage la Prairie, can be obtained from this Committee through the office of the Grand Secretary.

A pleasant and important International Masonic Meeting of unusual significance was held in September at Rolla Lodge No. 66, North Dakota, when members of the three Brandon Lodges presented one large Canadian Flag to each of the two North Dakota Lodges—Rolla No. 66 and Dunseith No. 99. Twelve Manitoba and five North Dakota Lodges were represented and out of a total attendance of 150, 80 were from Manitoba. In April of this year, representatives of the two North Dakota Lodges visited Brandon and presented the three lodges with a United States Flag for use in their lodge room.

Your Committee extends congratulations to Bro. W. Munroe of King Edward Lodge No. 93 on receiving the Life-Saving decoration for bravery. At the risk of his own life he dived into the waters of the Red River and rescued a woman from drowning.

We are glad to report that harmony prevails throughout the entire jurisdiction.

Your Committee would like to thank the District Deputy Grand Masters for their co-operation and assistance. They have performed their duties conscientiously and well. In a few cases, we should have liked to have had more complete reports, and in one district some of the official visits were made quite late in the season; one lodge not being visited until April.

We recommend that the following be given the rank of Past District Deputy Grand Master in recognition of their efficient and faithful service during their term of office.

R.W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson (3)	First Masonic District
R.W. Bro. A. J. Grant (116)	Second Masonic District
R.W. Bro. J. W. Johnston (67)	Third Masonic District
R.W. Bro. C. G. McLean (118)	Fourth Masonic District
R.W. Bro. E. P. Venables (84)	Fifth Masonic District
R.W. Bro. A. W. Bodkin (77)	Sixth Masonic District
R.W. Bro. A. D. Blair (64)	Seventh Masonic District
R.W. Bro. A. R. Dick (55)	Eighth Masonic District
R.W. Bro. W. L. Foshner (105)	Ninth Masonic District
R.W. Bro. E. L. White (131)	Tenth Masonic District
R.W. Bro. Matt. Ferguson (137)	Twelfth Masonic District

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry.

R. E. EMMETT,
Chairman.

This report was presented by R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett (121) who moved its adoption, seconded by M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole (7) and carried.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL DEAD

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members,
Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

In the midst of our busy Communication, we pause to pay a loving tribute and to honor the memory of those of our brethren who since we last assembled, have passed from our sight. Not dead, but passed on into the next phase of their immortal life, entered into their reward.

The passing of our beloved King, our Royal Brother, King George VI, saw a spontaneous outburst of love and devotion by all his people throughout the Empire—heard so many glorious tributes from all parts of the world. Yet no tribute could be greater than that paid by Mr. Churchill on his last visit to Ottawa—"Beside the Crown stands the King. In constitutional duty he was faultless. In physical and moral courage, he was an example to all his people. We are proud to pay him tribute."

"Death, be not proud, though some have called thee
Mighty and dreadful, for thou art not so;
For those, whom thou think'st thou dost overthrow, die not.
One short sleep past, we wake eternally,
And Death shall be no more;
Death, thou shalt die."
(John Donne—1617)

While we have this all-sustaining faith we, as natural men, mourn the departure of our brothers. We shall miss them, for each, in a greater or lesser degree, has made his contribution to our Order and to the building of a better world. Yet we are bereaved of our brethren.

Our departed brethren walked in that way of life mapped out by God. Their lives were lived with a firm belief in the unfailing and unbounded love, wisdom, goodness and majesty of God, the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and Earth. They have left us fragrant memories that will not pass away. The thought of these, our brothers, inspire us. We now recite the names of some of those who were with us one short year ago and whose memory we revere this day:

Past Grand Masters: M.W. Bros. George Hunter; Ben. C. Parker, Peter T. Pilkey and Victor A. Bowes (G.M. Alberta).

Officers and District Deputy Grand Masters: Robt. M. Muckle, E. S. Gardiner, Edward Bolton, John P. MacKinnon, Jas. Burnett, A. L. Curtis, H. W. H. Laing, Jas. H. Hamilton, Alex. C. Campbell; Andrew D. Russell.

V.W. Brethren: Wm. T. Whiteford, Wm. R. Smith, Wm. Campbell.

Past Grand Masters	4
Officers and D.D.G.M.s.	21
Master Masons	185
	210

"I heard the voice from Heaven saying unto me: Write, from henceforth blessed are the dead which die in the Lord; Even so, saith the Spirit, for they rest from their labors."

Almighty God, with whom do live the spirits of them that depart hence in the Lord, and with whom the souls of the faithful, after they are delivered from the burdens of the flesh, are in joy and felicity, we praise and magnify Thy Holy Name, for all our brothers who have finished their course here, and have kept the Faith. Give us grace to follow their good examples. Look, we beseech Thee, with compassion upon those who are now in sorrow and affliction; comfort them O Lord with Thy gracious consolation. Make them to know that all things work together for good to them that love Thee; and grant them evermore sure trust and confidence in Thy Fatherly care. (Response—So mote it be.)

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK HUGHES,
Chairman, Committee on Fraternal Dead.

This report was presented by R.W. Bro. F. Hughes (1) who moved its adoption, seconded by R.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4) and carried.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee is pleased to submit a summary of the Grand Secretary's Annual Report.

The greater part of the report is statistical and is evidence of the work necessary to achieve the final analysis.

The many duties assigned the Grand Secretary's office as enumerated in the Constitution have been carried out with precision and courtesy.

Mention is made by the Grand Secretary of the improvement by the Lodge Secretaries in submitting their reports promptly and with a minimum of error, and expresses his appreciation for their co-operation. Your committee submit that the Grand Secretary is responsible for this improvement to some extent, because of his efforts in acquainting the Lodge Secretaries of the importance of the reports, and their relationship to the work in the Grand Secretary's office.

The net increase in membership as of December 31st, 1951, was 346. Total membership for the jurisdiction was 14,385. It appears that the period of rapid growth has been halted, and a steadier trend is now being maintained. Demits and Suspensions for N.P.D. are noticeably on the increase, and your committee is wondering if this could have any relationship to the great numbers taken into the Craft during the past few years. Fourteen Lodges had no initiations and ten Lodges conferred no degrees. During these prosperous times this is difficult to understand and our committee suggest further study of this matter. Twenty-two Lodges have amended their by-laws in order to adjust dues and fees. We are pleased to note that Lodges receiving dispensations for Divine Service are on the increase.

We wish to commend the Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. Coddington most highly for his contribution to Masonry throughout the jurisdiction. While shouldered with the heavy responsibilities of Grand Master during the years 1949 and 1950, he willingly took on the additional duties of Grand Secretary, an office which he has maintained up to the present. He has endeared himself to the brethren throughout the jurisdiction by his ready willingness to help, and we are indeed sorry to hear that he had been advised by his doctor to relinquish his position in order to maintain his health.

We most heartily join with the Grand Secretary in thanking W.Bro. Gordon McKenzie, the Executive Secretary, and Miss Margaret Anderson, for the untiring and faithful service given to the brethren of the Craft during the past year, and would like them to know that their efforts are deeply and sincerely appreciated.

Fraternally submitted,

H. GRAY,
Chairman.

This report was presented by R.W. Bro. H. H. Gray (141) who moved its adoption, seconded by V.W. Bro. A. E. Duff (130) and carried.

PRESENTATION OF FIFTY-YEAR JEWEL TO BRO. WALTER F. MINTY

M.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe asked the Grand Director of Ceremonies to conduct to the Altar, Bro. Walter F. Minty and W. Bro. C. A. Minty, and then requested M.W. Bro. Coddington (1) to present Bro. Walter F. Minty with a Fifty-year Jewel. When pinning on this badge of a Veteran in Freemasonry, M.W. Bro. Coddington expressed his pleasure in taking part in this little ceremony with a friend of so many years standing.

W. Bro. C. A. Minty, a Past Master of North Star Lodge No. 4 on the Register of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, then presented to his father, our Bro. Minty, a Masonic Bible as a gift from his family, a mark of their love and affection on this memorable occasion.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe asked the retiring Officers to be present at the Evening Session with their regalia, in order that their successors in Office might be properly invested.

ADJOURNMENT

The Afternoon Session adjourned at 4.35 p.m. to be resumed at 8.00 p.m. in the evening.

THURSDAY, JUNE 5th, 1952

Evening Session

LABOR RESUMED

The Grand Master, Grand Lodge Officers and Past Grand Masters entered the Lodge in procession while the brethren sang the hymn "Praise the Lord! Ye heavens, adore Him," after which the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe called Grand Lodge from Refreshment to Labor.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Credentials beg to report as follows: There are 110 Chartered Lodges on the Grand Lodge Register. 95 Lodges represented by one or more of their three Principal Officers; 15 Lodges unrepresented, namely:

Carberry No. 29
Russell No. 62
Vermillion No. 68
Elgin No. 86
Shoal Lake No. 92
Robbie Burns No. 100
Strathclair No. 106
Sprague No. 132
Lord Selkirk No. 137
Harmony No. 142
Sturgeon Creek No. 145
Jubilee No. 147
Cartwright No. 150
Rice Lake No. 157
Newdale No. 159

103 Lodges have one or more Past Masters present and 7 have neither Past Master nor Officers present, namely:

Russell No. 62
Vermillion No. 68
Elgin No. 86
Robbie Burns No. 100
Sprague No. 132
Jubilee No. 147
Cartwright No. 150

Past Masters	447
Worshipful Masters	78
Senior Wardens	66
Junior Wardens	50
	641
Registered:	
Master Masons	124
Visitors	21
Total	786

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. GRANT,
for the Chairman.

This report was presented by R.W. Bro. J. C. Grant (3) who moved its adoption, seconded by R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson (3) and carried.

The brethren then united in the singing of the hymn "O Master, let me walk with Thee."

No.	Lodge	W.M.	S.W.	J.W.	P.M.	Total
1	Prince Rupert's	1	1	--	5	7
2	Lisgar	1	--	1	9	11
3	Ancient Landmark	1	1	--	10	12
4	St. John's	1	1	1	12	15
6	Emerson	1	--	1	8	10
7	Assiniboine	1	1	1	6	9
8	King Solomon	1	1	1	4	7
10	Northern Light	1	1	1	11	14
11	Gladstone	1	1	1	10	13
12	Stonewall	1	1	1	10	13
13	Morden	--	1	--	5	6
14	Prince of Wales	1	1	--	4	6
15	Corinthian	1	1	--	--	2
19	Brandon	1	1	1	5	8
24	Neepawa	1	--	1	1	3
25	Ionic	1	1	--	9	11
27	Glenwood	1	1	--	8	10
29	Carberry	--	--	--	6	6
30	Manitou	1	--	1	1	3
36	Doric	1	--	1	1	3
39	Birtle	1	1	--	1	3
40	Deloraine	--	1	--	5	6
43	Lebanon	1	1	1	2	5
44	Oak Lake	--	1	--	--	1
48	Glenboro	1	1	1	1	4
49	Temple	1	1	1	6	9
50	Killarney	--	--	1	1	2
51	Treherne	1	1	1	6	9
52	Hartney	1	1	--	3	5
54	Oriental	1	--	--	1	2
55	East Star	1	1	1	4	7
62	Russell	--	--	--	--	--
63	Holland	1	1	--	6	8
64	Composite	1	1	--	4	6
67	Wawanesa	1	1	1	4	7
68	Vermillion	--	--	--	--	--
70	Shiloh	1	1	1	4	7
71	Crystal	1	1	--	7	9
74	Elkhorn	1	--	--	1	2
75	Gothic	--	--	1	--	1
77	Napinka	1	1	1	1	4
82	Cypress	1	1	1	2	5
84	Hamiota	1	--	1	1	3
86	Elgin	--	--	--	--	--
87	Rathwell	1	1	--	5	7
90	Midlothian	1	1	--	4	6
92	Shoal Lake	--	--	--	2	2
93	KingEdward	1	1	1	13	16
94	Hiram	--	1	--	1	2
100	Robbie Burns	--	--	--	--	--
101	Binscarth	1	--	1	2	4
102	Miniota	--	1	--	3	4
103	Crescent	1	--	1	6	8
104	Reston	1	--	--	5	6
105	Prince Arthur	1	--	--	2	3
106	Strathclair	--	--	--	4	4

No.	Lodge	W.M.	S.W.	J.W.	P.M.	Total
107	Lansdowne	1	1	--	3	5
108	Union	1	1	1	1	4
109	Swan Lake	--	--	1	3	4
110	Kilwinning	1	1	--	2	4
111	Acacia	--	1	1	6	8
112	Ophir	1	--	1	2	4
113	Tweed	--	1	--	6	7
114	"The Assiniboine"	1	1	1	10	13
115	Rivers	1	1	1	1	4
116	St. Andrew's	1	1	1	3	6
117	Strathcona	1	1	--	4	6
118	Mound	1	--	--	3	4
119	Norwood	1	1	1	5	8
120	Penza	1	1	1	5	8
121	St. James	1	1	1	15	18
122	Roblin	1	--	--	3	4
123	Transcona	1	--	--	4	5
124	The Pas	--	--	1	--	1
125	Patricia	--	--	1	3	4
126	Favel	1	1	--	--	2
127	Empire	1	1	1	5	8
128	Victory	1	--	--	1	2
130	Fort Garry	1	--	--	6	7
131	Kildonan	1	--	1	10	12
132	Sprague	--	--	--	--	--
133	McCreary	1	--	--	2	3
134	Stony Mountain	1	1	--	8	10
136	Capitol	1	1	1	7	10
137	Lord Selkirk	--	--	--	3	3
138	Windsor	1	1	--	11	13
139	Beaver	1	--	--	8	9
140	Meridian	1	1	1	6	9
141	Tuscan	1	--	--	7	8
142	Harmony	--	--	--	1	1
143	Mt. Sinai	1	1	--	15	17
144	Fort Osborne	1	1	1	1	4
145	Sturgeon Creek	--	--	--	3	3
146	Fidelity	1	1	1	6	9
147	Jubilee	--	--	--	--	--
148	Seven Oaks	1	1	--	7	9
150	Cartwright	--	--	--	--	--
151	The Dormer	1	1	1	6	9
152	Foxwarren	--	1	--	--	1
153	Flin Flon	1	--	1	--	2
154	Pine Falls	1	--	--	4	5
155	Carman	--	1	--	4	5
156	Manitouwapa	--	1	1	3	5
157	Rice Lake	--	--	--	2	2
158	Fenwick	1	1	--	4	6
159	Newdale	--	--	--	1	1
160	Starbuck	1	1	--	1	3
161	Fort Prince of Wales	--	1	--	--	1
162	Ashlar	1	1	1	1	4
163	Charleswood	--	1	1	3	5
	Totals	78	66	50	447	641

GREETINGS FROM DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

R.W. Bro. Robert A. Tate, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan and Honorary member of this Grand Lodge brought greetings from his Grand Master, M.W. Bro. R. R. McEwen, and their Grand Lodge. In a few well chosen remarks he told of how much he enjoyed his visits with us and asked us to accept the greetings of his father, M.W. Bro. Wm. B. Tate, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, and Honorary Past Grand Master of this Grand Lodge, adding that his father's health was such that for the first time since its inception some 47 years ago, he would be unable to attend the Annual Communication of his own Grand Lodge.

M.W. Bro. Ralph R. Twamley, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of South Dakota, expressed his thanks for our offer of assistance in connection with flood damage experienced in South Dakota this year, and explained that financial aid had not been required. He said this offer was a practical demonstration of what we try to do spiritually, and warned that the older members of the Craft, like himself, should live up to our Masonic Teachings, as an example to the newer brethren.

M.W. Bro. Harold S. Pond, Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota, opened his remarks with an expression of his sincerest thanks for his appointment as an Honorary Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba. He pointed out that this communion of brothers between North and South on an equal basis, was typical of Freemasonry and the ideals we try to teach.

ADDRESS OF THE GRAND CHAPLAIN

The reports presented at this Seventy-seventh Annual Communication indicate progress and interest in Masonry. Our Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe has had a heavy year and has made a wonderful contribution to our Order. We have all been impressed by his gracious and efficient work. We congratulate him and his Officers for a splendid year.

This Annual Communication is unique insofar as it is the first in a new Age—"The Elizabethan Age." We look back to the past and on to the future. Our minds go back to 1937 when George of Windsor was consecrated to the ministry of Kingship in the ancient Abbey of Westminster, when the Dean presented him with the Bible saying "Our Gracious King, we present unto you this Book, the most valuable thing that this world affords. Here is wisdom, this is Royal Law." King George lived by that Book. He made it his Royal Law. It was throughout his life his abiding guide. We as Masons, can recall that day, when he like us, knelt at the Altar and took our solemn obligation upon the Volume of the Sacred Law. May his example inspire us. And now the King is dead. Long Live the Queen. I quote from the Vancouver Sun "Her Gracious Majesty Queen Elizabeth comes to the Throne at a moment of immense peril to the world. There is the menace of physical antagonism hovering over us, but there is a much more dangerous menace of moral collapse. The experience of two world wars in a single generation, the long period of fear and apprehension; have taken a nervous toll that shows itself in moral instability." The Elizabethan Age calls for spiritual valor, that is the challenge; and as our young Queen ascends the Throne, it is our loyal belief, that she is eminently fitted to symbolize our answer to that challenge. For that answer lies not only in armed might, but in faith between men and men and in the saving love of The Almighty. It lies in faith, hope and charity and in the sanctity of the home. Let us then first look to God and dedicate ourselves to His Service. That under the banner of our Queen we may yet bring the world to sanity and Peace.

First of all comes faith in God. Many people have strange ideas about religion. There are some who have the idea that there is a division between Religion and life. On the one hand there is life with all its problems, its aspects and interests—then on the other hand there is religion. There is a time and a place for religion some would say. How dangerous and untrue a statement. True religion is a relationship between God and man, between the Creator and the created—religion and life are bound together and cannot be put asunder.

There are I think, few more moving scenes in the pages of the Old Testament than that which depicts David weeping and fasting for the life of Bathsheba's child. When the child died, David, we are told arose, washed and anointed himself and came into the House of the Lord and worshipped Him. How very mixed up his feelings must have been. Penitence, sorrow, sympathy, resignation and Worship. For

David, all these experiences of life, religion had a vital part. In the modern world we are prone to put religion in a corner, whereas David saw it everywhere, on the mountain tops, and in the darkest valley of human experience.

For David, God was neither a doubtful nor a distant Deity. He was the unseen companion of David's days—"closer than breathing, nearer than hands and feet, present in all circumstances; a Refuge and Strength in every time of trouble. A Rebuke, a consuming fire against every selfish act of disobedience."

The call then is for a return to God, who raises us to the highest heights of honor, and even follows us into the darkest depths of defeat. Who believes in us when we ourselves are easy victims of despair and challenges us with His law in every circumstance of our lives, in shop and store, in field and factory, in work and play, yes in life and in death.

It was George Matheson, the blind preacher who in the greatest crisis of his life penned those memorable words which speak with the same sure confidence of the unseen but ever-present God:

> "O Light that followest all my ways
> I yield my flickering torch to Thee;
> My heart restores its borrowed ray
> That in Thy sunshine's blaze, its day
> May brighter, fairer be."

Brethren, in this faith, let us go forward to Victory and to Peace.

The Grand Chaplain, R.W. Bro. Rev. Canon Frederick Hughes (1) was thanked by M.W. Bro. Blythe for his excellent address and he wanted it recorded that the Grand Chaplain's contribution of dignity and reverence in our Ceremonials had added much to the Dedication of Lodges this year, and to R.W. Bro. Hughes he conveyed not only his personal thanks, but those of all the Grand Lodge Officers who had worked with him during the past two years.

REPORT OF SCRUTINEERS ON ELECTION

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Board of Scrutineers, appointed to conduct the election of Officers and eight members of the Board of General Purposes for a term of two years, also District Deputy Grand Masters for the several Masonic Districts, make report as follows:

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND MASTER, the name of Gordon Alexander McMorran was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF DEPUTY GRAND MASTER, the name of Harry Haggart Gray, was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF SENIOR GRAND WARDEN, the name of John Robert Charles Evans was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF JUNIOR GRAND WARDEN, three names were submitted in nomination, i.e., John Norquay, Robert E. Emmett and David Griffith. The number of ballots cast was 621 of which 612 were valid. The necessary quota to elect was 307. Brother Robert E. Emmett (121) received the necessary quota.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND TREASURER, the name of W. Percy White was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND SECRETARY, the name of Thomas C. Jackson was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND CHAPLAIN, the name of Harold L. Newton was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND HISTORIAN, the name of William Douglas was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND DIRECTOR OF CEREMONIES, the name of David Rothstein was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND LIBRARIAN, the name of George A Woodside was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES, for two year term, twenty-four names were submitted in nomination, i.e.,

A. S. McCann
W. Dalzell
A. J. Sawatzky
J. W. Rousell
W. A. Wyborn
G. H. Grant
A. G. Barron
D. Stroud
J. C. Bate
A. D. Blair
J. P. Mowat
E. J. Heaney

E. P. Venables
F. C. Davey
John Cuthill
G. V. Henderson
G. O. Couch
W. J. McGregor
G. J. Smith
Jas. Wardrope
E. L. White
G. E. Miles
Matt. Ferguson
A. E. Wiedman

F. R. Willmott

The number of ballots cast was 619 of which 611 were valid (8 spoiled). The necessary quota to elect was 68. The following named brethren received the required quota or an equivalent to elect.

A. D. Blair
G. O. Couch
F. C. Davey
Matt. Ferguson

J. P. Mowat
W. J. McGregor
A. J. Sawatzky
E. L. White

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

In accordance with the provisions of the Constitution, the following brethren have been elected District Deputy Grand Masters of the respective Districts as indicated. Their election has been confirmed by the Grand Master Elect.

FIRST MASONIC DISTRICT, Russell W. Campbell, Northern Light Lodge No. 10.

SECOND MASONIC DISTRICT, Henry Arthur Lye, Temple Lodge No. 49.

THIRD MASONIC DISTRICT, Ernest A. Baragar, Crescent Lodge No. 103.

FOURTH MASONIC DISTRICT, Douglas Allan McKay, Crystal Lodge No. 71.

FIFTH MASONIC DISTRICT, John Fleming, Prince of Wales Lodge No. 14.

SIXTH MASONIC DISTRICT, Walter Brown, Reston Lodge No. 104.

SEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT, Henry Stewart Perdue, Fenwick Lodge No. 158.

EIGHTH MASONIC DISTRICT, John Jacob Tjaden, Patricia Lodge No. 125.

NINTH MASONIC DISTRICT, George Kelso, Roblin Lodge No. 122.

TENTH MASONIC DISTRICT, William Bird, Pine Falls Lodge No. 154.

TWELFTH MASONIC DISTRICT, Francis M. Bastin, Beaver Lodge No. 139.

All of which is fraternally submitted,

WILLIAM DOUGLAS,
Chairman.

This report was presented by M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4) Chairman, who moved its adoption, seconded by M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald (70) and carried.

The Most Worshipful Grand Master then declared the several Officers of Grand Lodge and the members of the Board of General Purposes to be duly elected.

THANKS AND APPRECIATION

The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe expressed a wish to extend his personal thanks, and also he was sure, the thanks of all the brethren present, to Bro. J. C. Duncan, our guest artist; to the Management and Staff of the Fort Garry Hotel for their courtesies to our guests, and attention to our various needs; and to all those brethren who had contributed so much to the success of this Seventy-seventh Annual Communication.

INSTALLATION CEREMONIES

The brethren joined in singing the hymn "Unto the Hills Around" after which, the M.W. Grand Master asked the Grand Installing Officer, M.W. Bro. Maurice S. Donovan (158), to assume the gavel.

M.W. Bro. Donovan requested R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat (139), Grand Director of Ceremonies to assist him, and in a fine and impressive manner the various Grand Lodge Officers were installed in their respective stations. At the conclusion of this Ceremony, M.W. Bro. Donovan expressed his best wishes to the newly-installed Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran (27), that his year would be successfully filled with the harmony and interest of our Craft, and handed to him, the gavel of authority.

R.W. Bro. Robert E. Emmett (121), newly-installed Junior Grand Warden, on behalf of the Elected Officers thanked Grand Lodge for the confidence placed in them and expressed the hope that they would fulfill their duties in a satisfactory manner.

V.W. Bro. Frederick Courtice (19), newly-appointed Grand Organist, spoke for the Appointed Officers in expressing his thanks to M.W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran, Grand Master, for their appointment and assured him of their loyalty to him, and to the duties of their respective Offices.

PRESENTATIONS

On behalf of the Grand Lodge, M.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe (93) presented the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran (27), with the Grand Master's Apron. M.W. Bro. McMorran in thanking Grand Lodge for this lovely gift told of his sincere wish to use his term in Office as a given opportunity to do whatever he could for Freemasonry in this Grand Jurisdiction. His year as Grand Master, would he hoped, be a year of service, after which, he would be only too glad to do what he could to oblige and serve future Grand Masters from time to time. He remarked that his objective would be to try to maintain our work as builders of men and in addition to try to be builders of youth and of character.

M.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe was then asked to rise and he received from the Most Worshipful Grand Master on behalf of Grand Lodge, the jewel of a Past Grand Master. In accepting this gift, M.W. Bro. Blythe thanked his Grand

Lodge for the opportunity of serving in the Office of Grand Master during 1951-1952.

The brethren united in singing the closing hymn, "Abide with me."

The business of this Seventy-seventh Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, having been completed, the Grand Chaplain led the brethren in prayer and Grand Lodge was closed in Ample Form, by the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran.

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Harry Oddington

Grand Secretary.

FORM OF BEQUEST
FOR THE BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA

The following form of Bequest may be used by any Brother desiring to bequeath any sum for the benefit of the Benevolent Endowment Fund of Grand Lodge:

"I, give unto my Executor or Executors the sum of .... ($............) upon trust to pay the same to the Grand Secretary for the time being, of the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Manitoba, for the purposes and benefit of the Benevolent Endowment Fund of the said Grand Lodge, and I declare that the receipt for such sum of the said Grand Secretary shall be an absolute discharge for such payment.

....Signed."

The Lodge Secretary will bring this to the attention of the brethren either at the Lodge Meeting or in the Monthly Notice.

GRAND LODGE LIBRARY

Brethren are reminded of the facilities offered by the Grand Lodge Library for increasing their Masonic Knowledge. Travelling sets of books, specially arranged for the use of country Lodges, are available, and individual country members can have books posted to them.

Full particulars may be obtained from the Grand Librarian, Masonic Temple, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

GRAND LODGE OFFICERS ELECTED AND APPOINTED FOR 1952-1953

Grand Master	M.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran (27)	Souris
Deputy Grand Master	R.W. Bro. H. H. Gray (141)	Winnipeg
Senior Grand Warden	R.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans (113)	Brandon
Junior Grand Warden	R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett (121)	St. James
Grand Treasurer	R.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4)	Winnipeg
Grand Secretary	R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson (3)	Winnipeg
Grand Chaplain	R.W. Bro. Rev. Canon H. L. Newton (19)	Brandon
Grand Historian	M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4)	Winnipeg
G.D. of Ceremonies	R.W. Bro. D. Rothstein (141)	Winnipeg
Grand Librarian	R.W. Bro. G. A. Woodside (10)	Winnipeg
Senior Grand Deacon	V.W. Bro. McLaren Ewart (27)	Souris
Junior Grand Deacon	V.W. Bro. Alex. G. Barron (29)	Carberry
Senior Grand Steward	V.W. Bro. Robt. Wood (14)	Minnedosa
Junior Grand Steward	V.W. Bro. H. W. Cooper (136)	Winnipeg
Grand Organist	V.W. Bro. F. C. Courtice (19)	Brandon
Grand Pursuivant	V.W. Bro. D. Mitchell (10)	Winnipeg
Grand Tyler	V.W. Bro. J. D. McDougall (110)	Minto

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1st Masonic District	R.W. Bro. Russell W. Campbell 10)	Winnipeg
2nd Masonic District	R.W. Bro. H. A. Lye (49)	MacGregor
3rd Masonic District	R.W. Bro. E. A. Baragar (103)	Elm Creek
4th Masonic District	R.W. Bro. D. A. McKay (71)	Crystal City
5th Masonic District	R.W. Bro. John Fleming (14)	Minnedosa
6th Masonic District	R.W. Bro. Walter Brown (104)	Reston
7th Masonic District	R.W. Bro. H. S. Perdue (158)	Brandon
8th Masonic District	R.W. Bro. J. J. Tjaden (125)	Sperling
9th Masonic District	R.W. Bro. George Kelso (122)	Roblin
10th Masonic District	R.W. Bro. Wm. Bird (154)	Pine Falls
12th Masonic District	R.W. Bro. F. M. Bastin (139)	Winnipeg

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VICE-PRESIDENT

R.W. Bro. John R. C. Evans (113) Senior Grand Warden .... Brandon

BY VIRTUE OF OFFICE

M.W. Bro. E. T. Greenway (71) Past Grand Master	Crystal City
M.W. Bro. A. J. Hatcher (19) Past Grand Master	Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. W. J. Major (25) Past Grand Master	Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. J. S. MacEwing (51) Past Grand Master	Treherne
M.W. Bro. A. L. Crossin (10) Past Grand Master	Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4) Past Grand Master	Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. N. J. Black (3) Past Grand Master	Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. D. S. Woods (90) Past Grand Master	St. Vital
M.W. Bro. Robt. Hawkins (68) Past Grand Master	Dauphin
M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence (25) Past Grand Master	Winnipeg

M.W. Bro. G. R. Calvert (1) Past Grand Master	Calgary
M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (11) Past Grand Master	Portage la Prairie
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M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan (158) Past Grand Master	Brandon
M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly (138) Past Grand Master	St. Vital
M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald (70) Past Grand Master	Roland
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M.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe (93) Immediate Past Grand Master	Winnipeg
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R.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4) Grand Treasurer	Winnipeg
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R.W. Bro. Rev. Canon H. L. Newton (19) Grand Chaplain	Winnipeg
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R.W. Bro. Hugh M. Kerr (113) Honorary Member	Brandon
W. Bro. A. E. Boyle (114) Honorary Member	Winnipeg
W. Bro. J. F. Irwin (24) Honorary Member	Neepawa
R.W. Bro. R. W. Campbell (10) D.D.G.M. 1st Masonic District	Winnipeg
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For a Two-Year Term

R.W. Bro. John Norquay (2)	East Kildonan
R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy (4)	Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. F. B. Lynes (71)	Crystal City
V.W. Bro. E. A. Baragar (103)	Elm Creek
R.W. Bro. C. A. Midwinter (111)	Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. W. A. Prugh (113)	Brandon
R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett (121)	St. James
R.W. Bro. J. R. Glenn (144)	Winnipeg

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For a Two-Year Term.

R.W. Bro. A. J. Sawatzky (8)	Morris
R.W. Bro. W. J. McGregor (11)	Gladstone
R.W. Bro. A. D. Blair (64)	Alexander
R.W. Bro. F. C. Davey (93)	Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. G. O. Couch (109)	Swan Lake
R.W. Bro. E. L. White (131)	Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. Matt. Ferguson (137)	Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat (139)	Winnipeg

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GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT

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R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat
R.W. Bro. J. Norquay

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M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence
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M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald

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R. W. Bro. R. E. Emmett

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M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald
R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat

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M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald
M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence

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FIRST MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

It is my duty and pleasure to submit for your consideration a report of my activities as District Deputy Grand Master of the First Masonic District for 1951-1952.

The following officers were appointed to assist me; W. Bro. W. F. Hutton, Ancient Landmark (3), Secretary; W.Bro. J. W. Hall, "The Assiniboine" (114), Chaplain. These brethren, together with W. Bro. D. Mitchell, Northern Light (10), who was re-elected Treasurer at the meeting of the District held on June 13th, 1951, and R.W. Bro. Frank C. Davey, I.P.D.D.G.M., constituted officers for the year.

My official visits to the lodges were as follows:

1951	
October 2	"The Assiniboine" No. 114
October 10	St. James No. 121
October 11	Norwood No. 119
October 15	Empire No. 127
November 21	King Edward No. 93
1952	
January 9	Acacia No. 111
January 17	Northern Light No. 10
January 21	Ancient Landmark No. 3
February 4	Ionic No. 25
February 6	St. John's No. 4
February 19	Prince Rupert's No. 1
March 4	Ashlar No. 162

As no degree work was included in the agenda on the occasion of my official visits I paid one or more unofficial visits to each lodge for the special purpose of witnessing the exemplification of the work.

On these occasions I drew attention to the Special Notice on page 2 of the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge, suggested continued support be given to the Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund and recommended some thought be given towards reducing the number of members in arrears for dues and directing efforts to increase attendance, particularly with regard to the new members. In addition I spoke on a particular Masonic subject in each case.

At the District Meeting which was held in the Masonic Temple on Friday, November 30th, 1951, it was my great pleasure to welcome you together with a large number of Grand Lodge Officers, including R.W. Bro. Alex. R. Dick of the Eighth Masonic District, R.W. Bro. E. L. White of the Tenth Masonic District and R.W. Bro. Matthew Ferguson of the Twelfth Masonic District.

The attendance from the lodges showed a gain of forty-eight over the previous year, indicating increased interest in the programme provided.

The reports of the lodges covered a wide range of activity and demonstrated that the officers were deeply concerned with the social and educational phases of Freemasonry. It was a matter of regret that this part of the programme occupied more time than was allotted to it originally. As a consequence there was no opportunity for discussion of the various items mentioned and the balance of the proceedings was affected unfavourably through the necessity for haste.

Another feature was the presentation of a paper by R.W. Bro. Frank C. Davey I.P.D.D.G.M. on lodge attendance, which was prepared at my request. Brother Davey put forward some valuable suggestions for arousing increased interest on the part of the members as a whole, based on his experience as D.D.G.M. in the previous year. The discussion was led by R.W. Bro. Fletcher Argue, P.D.D.G.M., and R.W. Bro. Alex. Campbell, P.D.D.G.M., both of whom strongly supported the recommendations of R.W. Bro. Davey and pointed out ways in which they could be carried out. It was hoped that other distinguished brethren present might have an opportunity of joining in the discussion but on account of the lateness of the hour this was not feasible.

For the Office of District Deputy Grand Master for 1952-53 two names were placed in nomination. When the results of the ballot were announced it was found that W.Bro. Russell W. Campbell, Northern Light (10), was elected, subject to confirmation by the incoming Grand Master.

M.W. Bro. Charles E. Cole, I.P.G.M., was kind enough to attend the meeting at my invitation for the purpose of presenting R.W. Bro. Frank C. Davey the Collar and Apron of a P.D.D.G.M. on behalf of the District. Brother Cole paid a warm tribute to Brother Davey for the service he had rendered as his representative in the District for the year 1950-51 and expressed his pleasure at the opportunity of making suitable acknowledgment.

Your address as Grand Master was received with close attention and every evidence of real enthusiasm by the brethren present. It was a concise and yet comprehensive exposition of the ideals which inspire all true and genuine Freemasons. Permit me to say that the District as a whole was stimulated and strengthened through hearing the words of wisdom which you uttered on that occasion. Our pride in your record of achievement as Grand Master is enhanced when we realize that you are an active and progressive member of one of the outstanding lodges in the District.

It was a source of gratification to know that Ashlar Lodge U.D. of Norwood had achieved substantial success during the year, and that it was possible for you, as Grand Master, to conduct the ceremony of Consecration and Constitution there on September 11th, 1951. The bright hopes which attended this young lodge in the beginning seem to have been fulfilled. There is every indication that it will continue to grow and make a real contribution to the development of Masonic spirit in that part of the District.

For some time the brethren residing in the Municipality of Fort Garry have felt the need of a lodge in that community and have been directing their efforts with that end in view; it must be a source of great satisfaction to them to see their labors come to fruition, for at its Regular Meeting in March St. John's Lodge (4) endorsed their petition for a dispensation and you as Grand Master, performed the ceremony instituting Friendship Lodge in Viscount Alexander School on April 3rd. It was my pleasure to pay an unofficial visit to this lodge at its first regular meeting held on May 1st when it was quite evident that its first Worshipful Master, Gordon Wilson Rattray, his officers and the founding members realize the responsibility they have undertaken, and that under their direction Friendship

Lodge, which is more than a name, will be an influence for good in their neighbourhood.

An event of importance in the life of St. James' Lodge (121) took place on March 12th when it celebrated its Fortieth Anniversary. It was my pleasure to accompany you on your visit for this occasion. The historical review given by R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett was of special interest and recounted all important happenings of the lodge from its inception. The fact that the territory originally covered by St. James' Lodge now has three lodges with a total membership of 480 would demonstrate that its members have to the best of their ability, carried and put into practice the principles of Masonry outside the walls of their Lodge Room.

It was a privilege to be able to accompany you on your official visit to Morden Lodge and to fourteen of the lodges in Greater Winnipeg, also on the following occasions, Eighth District Meeting at Morris; Tenth District Meeting, East Kildonan; Twelfth District Meeting, Winnipeg; Dedication of Masonic Hall at Roland; Institution of Harry Woods Lodge at Lundar; Area Meeting at Deloraine; Area Meeting at Wellwood; Divine Service at Old Kildonan Church on the celebration of its centenary; St. John's Cathedral 25th Anniversary of the laying of its corner stone and on the occasion of the opening of the new St. Alban's Church.

In addition to the above it was my pleasure to attend the following special functions: "The Assiniboine" Lodge Annual Canadian Night, Ionic Lodge Memorial Service, St. John's Lodge Dedication of its Benevolent Fund, Norwood Lodge New Year's reception, Acacia Lodge Robbie Burn's Night and King Edward Lodge First Irish-Canadian Night.

On Sunday April 27th the members of the District attended Divine Service at St. Matthew's Church; between three and four hundred were present to receive the inspiring message given in the sermon preached by Bro. Rev. J. Burton Thomas of Prince Rupert's Lodge. Through you Most Worshipful Sir I would like to express my appreciation to the brethren for their attendance on that occasion.

During the year many Brethren of the District having completed their allotted task, were called to the Grand Lodge Above. These included the following Past Grand Masters of this Grand Jurisdiction. M.W. Bro. Ben C. Parker, St. John's (4), M.W. Bro. G. Hunter, Northern Light (10), M.W. Bro. P. T. Pilkey, Ionic (25). They have gone from us, but the valuable contribution they made remains to guide us in all our future actions.

OBSERVATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Through you I wish to express my appreciation to the Masters, Past Masters and Officers of the lodges in the District for their support on the occasion of my official visits, not only was their presence an inspiration to me as your Representative, but I feel it did much towards further cementing that friendship which will cause all of us to realize more fully that we are just one great brotherhood.

The Masters of all lodges in the District are to be congratulated on the manner in which they conduct the business of their Meetings, and for the efforts which they and their officers exert towards making them interesting and enlightening to those who do attend. They are making every effort to revive the interest of our absentee Brethren and it is hoped they are meeting with some success as the Statistical Record for the District, shows an increase of 2.15% in the average attendance at December 31st, 1951.

It was my pleasure to witness the conferring of degrees in all lodges. On every case it was carried out in a most impressive manner, from the care being taken to give proper interpretation during process of the degree it should create a desire for further knowledge and result in requests for further instruction; however it is to be noted that the majority of the lodges do not give any instruction other than what is given in Grand Lodge Booklets 1 to 4 and also what is included in the regular coaching classes. Study Groups or Forums are being successfully operated by "The Assiniboine," St. James', Norwood and St. John's Lodges; Ancient Landmark Lodge held the first meeting of their group on April 4th last and the members of Ashlar Lodge have been invited to join with the Norwood group. It is recommended that the remainder of the lodges should consider this plan of instruction for those members who are interested.

Generally speaking the finances of the lodges are in good condition, however it would appear these should be carefully watched, for although their is a net increase of 65 members in the District, the Net Assets of the lodges have decreased by $283.97 at December 31st, 1951, as compared with December 31st, 1950.

There is an improvement in the situation with regard to dues in arrears, however if the members would carry out their obligation with respect to dues they would make the work of the Secretary much easier; there is a decrease in the number of members in arrears in five lodges and an increase in six, with a little co-operation however the total could be greatly reduced. This is demonstrated by the statistical report which shows the members of the youngest lodge all paid up, and one of the older lodges with only four members in arrears.

With respect to Lodge Reports given at the District Meetings, it is recommended that as complete reports have been given for some three years, this be now changed, and instead the lodges be asked to report on those activities which have been discontinued and the reason therefor and to give details of any new activities they have commenced with the experience resulting therefrom. This suggestion if adopted will make more time available for the discussion of other important topics which the members may wish to submit. There has been increased interest in these meetings each year and it is believed this change will help to stimulate that interest.

At informal meetings held with the Masters, Wardens and Secretaries, the question of occasionally permitting members, other than Officers, to take part in conferring degrees was discussed, when it was the unanimous opinion that some clarification of Section 126-C, of the Constitution should be given, in order that all lodges will know exactly what part must be given by the Master or a Past Master, and what may be given by a Master Mason, other than an officer.

There continues to be a considerable number of members who are anxious to take active part in the operation of their lodge and while all of them cannot be Officers they would appreciate being given work on committees. One lodge in the District has placed in operation a committee known as "Old Timers and Shut-ins Visiting Committee" which has been found to be much appreciated by their members. This is one phase where more members can take part in lodge activities, and one which has far reaching possibilities.

There is indication that the Grand Lodge Booklet issued for use of Masters of Lodges is being followed in the majority of lodges in the District. I strongly recommend to each Master that he pass this booklet on immediately his successor has been elected.

I cannot complete this report without recording my thanks and appreciation to the District Officers W. Bro. W. F. Hutton, W. Bro. D. Mitchell, W. Bro. J. W. Hall and R.W. Bro. F. C. Davey for their enthusiastic assistance and support, and to W. Bro. A. E. Boyle for continuing that support which he has rendered to the Officers of the District for many years by acting on all Official occasions as Director of Ceremonies.

I feel it is a great honour to have had the privilege of being your representative and I wish to express my appreciation to the Brethren of the District for electing me one year ago, it has been an enjoyable experience and it is my hope that in some small way I have been able to make a contribution for the good of Freemasonry.

Fraternally submitted,

THOMAS C. JACKSON,
D.D.G.M. First Masonic District.

SECOND MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I am happy to have the honor of submitting for your consideration and approval my report of activities as your representative in the Second Masonic District for the years 1951 and 1952.

My work was delayed in the early part of my term, owing to so many of the lodges in my district calling off during the harvest months. Then again I found different lodges meeting on the same date. This I am trying to have rectified in the Second District. I wish to say to you, Most Worshipful Sir, and to all the lodges in the District, that my visits to the different lodges and the reception I got from all of them, made a very happy and interesting year for me.

My District Secretary and Chaplain have been a wonderful help, as these two officers together with many of the brethren from St. Andrew's Lodge made every visit with me. I also had some of the brethren from Carberry Lodge make some visits with me. Some of the lodges I have visited a second time, but I found it impossible to make a second visit to them all.

I am pleased to report that Freemasonry in the Second Masonic District is in very friendly and capable hands for the present year.

Our District Meeting was well attended and several very interesting talks were given. The Address of the Most Worshipful Grand Master was very inspiring. Our new hall in connection with the lodge-room, made the accommodation perfect.

We had the Area Meeting April 16th and had eighteen lodges represented and one hundred and sixty Freemasons enjoyed a good meeting and a very inspiring address by the Most Worshipful Grand Master. The attendance at these meetings surely exemplifies the Masonic spirit that exists in District No. 2.

I regret to report the passing of two past D.D.G.M.s to the Grand Lodge Above and also the Master of Carberry Lodge, R.W. Bro. John P. Lawrie of Union Lodge and R.W. Bro. C. E. Titus. Both have been D.D.G.M.s in the Second District and were real pillars of Masonry. W.Bro. Stan McDonald was Master of Carberry Lodge at the time of his death. These brothers are being sadly missed in our District.

I have tried, in all my visits to the different lodges, to impress on the members to make lodge work more interesting, as by so doing it would tend to improve the attendance, especially with the younger members. I am sure from the reception that my talks and readings received, that there will be an improvement.

The dates of my official visits were as follows:

McCreary Lodge No. 133	October 10, 1951
Union Lodge No. 108	November 1, 1951
Gladstone Lodge No. 11	November 12, 1951
Carberry Lodge No. 29	November 13, 1951
Gothic Lodge No. 75	November 14, 1951
Temple Lodge No. 49	November 20, 1951
Neepawa Lodge No. 24	March 11, 1952
St. Andrew's Lodge No. 116	March 17, 1952
Assiniboine Lodge No. 7	April 16, 1952

In closing my report would like to convey to all the lodges in the District and to all those who have assisted in my work, my appreciation for the help and kind words and I trust that I have in some small way been of service to you and to Freemasonry during my term of office.

Fraternally submitted,

A. J. GRANT,
D.D.G.M. Second Masonic District.

THIRD MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit my report as your representative of the Third Masonic District for the year 1951-1952.

My first official act was to appoint R.W. Bro. H. E. Mitchell as District Secretary and Bro. Robert Harvey as Chaplain, both being members of Wawanesa Lodge No. 67.

On June 22nd, 1951, I was happy to be present as one of the M.W. Grand Master's representatives at Glenboro Lodge No. 48, it being the celebration of the 60th Anniversary of their lodge. There was a large attendance of Masons from the District and many from outside points who had assembled to offer their congratulations on this auspicious occasion. Owing to the unavoidable absence of the M.W. Grand Master he was represented by M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly.

On June 28th, 1951, accompanied by several members of the District, I journeyed to Starbuck where I had the honor of requesting the M.W. Grand Master to Consecrate and Constitute Starbuck Lodge No. 160.

The District Meeting was held in Wawanesa on October 4th, 1951, and the attendance was well up to expectation, all lodges in the district being well represented. During the afternoon session much interesting and instructive discussion took place on various Masonic questions. A splendid paper was presented by R.W. Bro. H. E. Hopkins of Strathcona Lodge No. 117, and R.W. Bro. L. C. Welsh also addressed the meeting on behalf of the Committee on Masonic Research and Education. At the election of District Deputy Grand Master the name of V.W. Bro. E. A. Barager being the only one submitted in nomination he was declared elected District Deputy Grand Master of the Third Masonic District for the year 1952-1953, subject to the approval of the Grand Master. At 6.00 p.m. a banquet provided by the ladies of the United Church was served in the church basement, at the conclusion of which the usual toasts were proposed and many fine speeches were made by the several Grand Lodge officers and visitors. At the evening session after the conclusion of the regular business M.W. Bro. C. E. Cole was called upon to present R.W. Bro. H. A. McLeod with the Past District Deputy Grand Master's regalia which he did in a very able manner and to which R.W. Bro. McLeod made suitable reply. The last item and the highlight of the day was the address given by the M.W. Grand Master, M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe, entitled "Why I am a Mason," and one and all left the meeting feeling that they had received something which would be of real benefit to them in the days to come.

My official visits to the lodges in the District were made as follows:

Strathcona Lodge No. 117	July 24, 1951
Starbuck Lodge No. 160	October 25, 1951
Treherne Lodge No. 51	November 9, 1951
Swan Lake Lodge No. 109	November 21, 1951
Rathwell Lodge No. 87	December 4, 1951
Cypress Lodge No. 82	November 26, 1951
Crescent Lodge No. 103	December 5, 1951
Glenboro Lodge No. 48	December 11, 1951
Holland Lodge No. 63	December 12, 1951
Wawanesa Lodge No. 67	February 18, 1952

On all my visits I was introduced to the Lodge in form and accorded all the honors due the representative of the Grand Master. Although I did not witness degree work on all occasions the impression I had of the conduct of the lodges as a whole showed that the officers were capable and well informed in their work and I do not hesitate to say that Masonry in the Third Masonic District is in a very satisfactory condition.

During my term of office I have had the opportunity of attending all the meetings of the Board of General Purposes with the exception of one and I would like to express the wonderful experience it has been to sit in at these meetings and see the inner workings of Grand Lodge, and I have endeavored to convey to the Lodges in this District some understanding of what the Grand Lodge is doing for the benefit of Masonry in this Jurisdiction.

On April 30th, 1952, a meeting of the District Committee of General Purposes was held in the Masonic Hall, Treherne, which was attended by two representatives from each lodge in the District and many subjects were brought up for discussion, and the general feeling was that the meeting had been worth any effort involved.

It is with deep regret that I report the passing to the Grand Lodge Above of two Past District Deputy Grand Masters in the persons of

R.W. Bro. J. H. Hamilton of Glenboro Lodge No. 48 and R.W. Bro. H. A. Adair of Treherne Lodge No. 51. These brethren have made a valuable contribution to Masonry in their respective lodges and in the District and will be greatly missed by all.

I would like at this time to express my gratitude to M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe, Grand Master, and M.W. Bro. H. Coddington, Grand Secretary, and his staff, for advice and instruction which they were always willing to give, and also to R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett for his untiring efforts on behalf of the District Deputy Grand Masters.

In conclusion I would like to sincerely thank the brethren of the Third Masonic District for the honor they have conferred on me in electing me to the office of District Deputy Grand Master and for the many courtesies they have extended to me at all times. To the many brethren who accompanied me on my official visits, also to the District Officers and especially to my District Secretary, R.W. Bro. H. E. Mitchell for his co-operation and support at all times, which has been of great help to me in carrying out the duties of this office.

Fraternally submitted,

J. W. JOHNSTON,
D.D.G.M. Third Masonic District

FOURTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration and approval my report of activities as your representative if the Fourth Masonic District for the year 1951-1952.

The year has been a very pleasant one for me, and I have derived a great deal of benefit from it.

I was able to visit all seven lodges in the District during the month of November. On each of these visits I was accompanied by my Secretary, W. Bro. R. E. Hicks, and Chaplain, Bro. C. A. Arthur, both being members of Mound Lodge No. 118.

From the loyal support of these two brothers and from many brethren of the different lodges who accompanied me on my official visits, I received a great deal of encouragement.

I received a very friendly and cordial reception in each and every lodge, with an above-average attendance for my official visit in almost every case.

The dates of my official visits were as follows:

Manitou Lodge No. 30	November 5, 1951
Crystal Lodge No. 71	November 13, 1951
Morden Lodge No. 13	November 15, 1951
Killarney Lodge No. 50	November 19, 1951
Cartwright Lodge No. 150	November 20, 1951
Mound Lodge No. 118	November 23, 1951
Doric Lodge No. 36	November 27, 1951

I have made unofficial visits to each lodge with the exception of Doric Lodge before or since my official visit.

I was able to attend the District meeting of the Seventh Masonic District held at Alexander last September. I was pleased to attend the District meeting of the Third Masonic District of the State of North Dakota, held at Calvin last November. Here, I was officially received as your representative and welcomed as such. I also attended the Area Meeting at Deloraine this spring as well as the Fortieth Anniversary of St. James' Lodge in Winnipeg last March.

Our District Meeting was very well attended and a great deal of benefit was derived from it. The success of the meeting was due to the interest taken by the Brethren. I have witnessed degree work in all of the lodges in the District and in every case the work was well conferred, and quite impressive to the Candidate. On my official visits I gave short talks on "What Masonry Means to Me," "Pioneer Masonry," or "What Masonry Is Doing For Us." These were received with kind attention.

I am very pleased in making my report that I am able to say Masonry is making good progress in lodge work, harmony and visiting. But I do think in a lot of cases Masons could take a more active part in activities outside their lodges. I am sorry to report I was unable to attend all of the Board meetings but I did gain a lot from the meetings I was able to attend.

In conclusion I wish to thank you, Most Worshipful Sir, for confirming my election to this office. I also wish to thank the brethren of the Fourth Masonic District for nominating me and for the loyal support they have given me during the year.

I trust my efforts as your representative meets with your approval and thank you again for this opportunity of trying to help others.

Fraternally submitted,

C. G. McLEAN,
D.D.G.M. Fourth Masonic District.

FIFTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I submit herewith my report of the condition of Freemasonry in the Fifth Masonic District.

This has been a most pleasant duty to perform and I extend my thanks to the brethren of this District who conferred this honor on me and also for the very cordial way in which I have been received.

After my election I appointed Bro. A. Cumings, District Secretary, and R.W. Bro. G. V. Henderson, District Chaplain and I offer my thanks to them for their assistance.

The District Meeting was held in Hamiota on Wednesday, Sept. 26, 1951. The entire District was very pleased to welcome the Most Worshipful the Grand Master and so many of his Grand Lodge Officers to this District Meeting. Their help, guidance and instruction was very much appreciated.

The Address of Welcome was given by W. Bro. W. T. Andrew of Hamiota Lodge who also kindly acted as District Secretary in the absence of Bro. Cumings due to sickness.

The Secretaries' reports were read for all the lodges in the District. R.W. Bro. H. H. Gray, Senior Grand Warden and R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat, Grand Director of Ceremonies, then gave the correct wording for the penalties and also exemplified the floor work. A very fine question period was held and many questions of interest were asked.

M.Wor. Bro. H. Coddington gave a splendid talk on his trip to Washington and it was enjoyed by all.

One of the most outstanding features of this District Meeting was the attendance of M.W. Bro. P. T. Pilkey for the entire program including the banquet. This was the last Masonic meeting for Brother Pilkey before being called to the Grand Lodge Above. He was just as pleased and just as happy in being at the meeting as the brethren were to have him with them. I know that it added much happiness to his last few days among us.

The banquet was served in the basement of the United Church by the Ladies of the Eastern Star.

W. Bro. J. Fleming of Minnedosa being the only nominee for the office of District Deputy Grand Master was declared elected to that office, subject to the approval of the Grand Master.

M.W. Bro. H. Coddington presented R.W. Bro. W. A. Burnett, P.D.D.G.M., with the apron and jewel of his office.

The Most Worshipful the Grand Master concluded the meeting with a most enjoyable and inspiring address.

The following official visits were made.

Corinthian Lodge No. 15	September 4
Newdale Lodge No. 159	September 6
Russell Lodge No. 62	September 11
Birtle Lodge No. 39	September 17
Foxwarren Lodge No. 152	October 3
Minnedosa Lodge No. 14	October 11
Cardale Lodge No. 142	October 18
Miniota Lodge No. 102	October 25
Rivers Lodge No. 115	October 29
Shoal Lake Lodge No. 92	November 8
Binscarth Lodge No. 101	November 19
Strathclair Lodge No. 106	November 20
Hamiota Lodge No. 84	November 27

On all official visits I was very cordially received and accorded the honors due the office of the representative of the Grand Master.

All lodges appear to be doing their work well and I was able to see degree work put on in many cases. Harmony prevails throughout the entire District.

I also made several unofficial visits including one to Elkhorn Lodge No. 74 in the Seventh Masonic District in the company of one of their members who now resides in Hamiota. I also have had the pleasure of attending all the Board Meetings, the District Meeting in the Seventh Masonic District held at Alexander and the three Area Meetings held at Deloraine, Wellwood and Russell.

It is with deep regret I inform you that as your representative I attended the funerals of R.W. Bro. E. S. Gardner at Rapid City, R.W. Bro. H. M. Spearin at Pettapiece and M.W. Bro. Pilkey at Hamiota. The passing of these brethren is indeed a great loss to the Masonic fraternity everywhere.

It has been my pleasure to meet with several brethren at Kenton and assist them in forming the new Woodworth Lodge which was instituted on Tuesday, May 6th, 1952.

Again I say thanks to all the many brethren who have made this past year so pleasant and enjoyable. It is with much regret that I lay down my Chain of Office and pass it to my successor.

Fraternally submitted,

E. P. VENABLE.
D.D.G.M. Fifth Masonic District.

SIXTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

For your consideration and approval, I have the honor to submit my report, as your representative for the sixth Masonic District, for the year 1951-52. In the performance of my duties I had the pleasure of officially visiting all eight lodges of my District before the close of 1951.

The District Meeting for the Sixth Masonic District was held at Napinka on October 3, 1951. It was a pleasure to have, on this occasion, the Most Worshipful Grand Master Bro. F. H. Blythe, R.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran, Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Bro. Kerr and M.W. Bro. Coddington, Grand Secretary. The afternoon session was routine business and Secretaries' reports. R.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran gave a paper on Masonry.

At 6.30 p.m. a Banquet was served in the lodge basement and the usual Toasts were given to Grand Lodge by R.W. Bro. A. F. Johnson, to visitors by R.W. Bro. T. A. Taylor and, to the Ladies by R.W. Bro. H. Morrow.

The evening meeting was opened at 8 p.m. R.W. Bro. J. Cuthill introduced the Grand Master and his suite. The address by the Grand Master on Freemasonry was very impressive and enjoyed by all present.

After the presentation of the Regalia to R.W. Bro. A. F. Johnson, retiring D.D.G.M., by the Grand Master Bro. F. H. Blythe, several visiting brethren addressed the meeting. Eighty-three Delegates registered.

The following is a list of my official visits:

Reston Lodge No. 104	September 13, 1951
Oriental Lodge No. 54	September 25, 1951
Kilwinning Lodge No. 110	October 8, 1951
Elgin Lodge No. 86	October 9, 1951
Deloraine Lodge No. 40	October 17, 1951
Glenwood Lodge No. 27	October 26, 1951
Hartney Lodge No. 52	November 6, 1951
Napinka Lodge No. 77	December 6, 1951

At all lodges the Masonic books were kept in good condition and the Historic Registers were up to date in most of the lodges. Masonic interest is very noticeable in all the lodges and increase in membership is satisfactory. I had the pleasure of witnessing all the lodges conferring the Degrees and I feel that the Officers and Past Masters are doing a good job of instructing the new members. I will say, however, to know the part is not enough. Degree Teams should spend more time in practice.

I have paid additional visits to several of the lodges and always found a warm welcome for myself and brethren from my home lodge, who were always ready and willing to help in any way they could.

On July 29th several of the members from the Sixth Masonic District attended the International Picnic on Masonic Island in Lake Metagoshe. I think it would be well for the Masons in this District to try to get to this Annual affair as a "goodwill" gesture to our American brothers.

We also had the pleasure of attending the Area Meeting at Deloraine. When I say "we"—that means that, when I went, my car was full of brethren from the home lodge. They gave me good support and gained in lodge interest.

It has been a pleasure and a privilege to serve the lodges of Sixth Masonic District as your D.D.G.M. It will be with regret that I reach the end of my term. I would like to express my appreciation of having the honor conferred on me. To my District Secretary, W. Bro. John Holland and Chaplain, W. Bro. J. Hassett and to the officers of Napinka Lodge my thanks for the support and the interest you have shown in the Masonic work of this District. To the Worshipful Masters and Secretaries of the lodges of the District, your help and friendship have been deeply appreciated.

In conclusion, let me express my thanks to the brethren of this District who elected me a year ago, and to you, Most Worshipful Sir, for having confirmed it. I have enjoyed the year's work.

Fraternally submitted,

A. W. BODKIN,
D.D.G.M. Sixth Masonic District.

SEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I herewith submit the report of my activities on your behalf for the year 1951-1952.

Upon assuming office I appointed R.W. Bro. O. M. McKay, Composite Lodge 64 as Secretary and Bro. Rev. O. B. Strapp, Tweed Lodge 113, as Chaplain.

As recommended at the first meeting of the newly installed D.D.G.M.s, an informal get together of the principal officers of the several lodges in the District was held in Oak Lake on July 26th, 1951. All lodges were represented by at least two officers, with the exception of Elkhorn. Tentative plans for the District Meeting to be held later, were made. The cooperation received at this and all subsequent meetings greatly helped and eased the load on your representative.

The District Meeting was held in Alexander on September 27th in the Community Hall. R.W. Bro. H. R. Owens, Composite Lodge 64, welcomed the brethren. All lodges in the District were represented and many from outside the District were present. A total of 132 signed the Register.

Accompanying you, M.W. Sir, were M.W. Bro. H. Coddington, Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran, D.G.M., R.W. Bro. Dr. J. R. Evans, J.G.W., V.W. Bro. H. C. Turner J.G.S., and the following D.D.G.M.s: R.W. Bro. E. P. Venables, R.W. Bro. E. L. White, R.W. Bro. C. G. McLean and R.W. Bro. A. J. Grant. Also present were 16 P.D.D.G.M.s, 51 Past Masters, 41 Master Masons and 33 Visitors.

Written reports given by the Secretaries of the various lodges proved very interesting.

The question period provided considerable discussion, some provocative questions giving rise to difference of opinion at times. All questions submitted could not be dealt with.

In honor of our departed brethren, two minutes of silence was observed.

The thanks of the District go to Fenwick Lodge 158 for the presentation of Gavel and Electric Timer to be used in Quiz Contests. It is worth noting that W. Bro. R. A. Carruthers, W.M. of Fenwick Lodge who made the presentation also constructed the Electric Timer. W. Bro. J. J. Wall, W.M. of Brandon Lodge 19 made the Gavel. A committee under chairmanship of R.W. Bro. J. R. Reid and 6 P.D.D.G.M.s was appointed to have charge of Quiz Contests.

At all District Meetings the Grand Master's address is eagerly awaited. You have, M.W. Sir, the faculty of making your remarks so informal and interesting that they are enjoyed all the more. Your address on this occasion was no exception and was well received by all present.

M.W. Bro. H. Coddington's address wherein he told us of his Washington visit and particularly his description of the wonderful carpet in a lodge room was much appreciated.

There were two nominations for D.D.G.M., W. Bro. L. Story, Oak Lodge 44 and W. Bro. H. S. Perdue, Tweed Lodge 113. The resulting vote gave W. Bro. Perdue a majority. W.Bro. Perdue was declared elected, subject to the approval of the incoming Grand Master.

A feature of the evening session was the presentation of Regalia to R.W. Bro. F. R. Willmott, at which time you paid high tribute to him for the fine service he rendered the District during his term of office, M.W. Sir.

The Banquet held in the United Church basement proved a happy event, with the usual Toasts and Replies. We are indebted to Concord Chapter 39 O.E.S. for the very fine dinner.

The Seventh Masonic District Bonspiel held in Alexander the latter part of the winter was apparently enjoyed by all. A keen spirit of good fellowship was evident throughout the day. All lodges were represented by two rinks with the exception of Oak Lake, who were unable to attend. I owe sincere thanks to the committee of Composite Lodge, who had charge of the event and all the other brethren who assisted. Without their help and co-operation the bonspiel would have been impossible.

Seventh Masonic District Divine Service was held in the United Church, Alexander on Sunday, May 4th, 1951. This was well attended, the main body of the church being nearly filled by the brethren. Rev. A. S. Robinson while not a member of the Order, gave a very inspiring and challenging sermon, which has caused us all to do some Soul-searching. R.W. Bro. Dr. J. R. Evans, J.G.W., read the lesson and your representative welcomed the brethren. All lodges were represented except Lebanon and Oak Lake.

I was fortunate in being able to accompany the three Brandon Lodges when they made their visit to the joint meeting of Rolla and Dunseith, N.D. lodges, which was held in Rolla, September 19th, 1951. The Brandon lodges are to be complimented on the fine spirit they have shown, in presenting the Flag of our Country to our two sister American lodges. The world needs more goodwill and the kindly act of the Brandon lodges has helped bind United States and Canada closer together in one common tie.

It was a pleasure and a privilege, M.W. Sir, to attend with you a number of District Meetings, one Area Meeting, the Dedication of Roland Masonic Temple, Nov. 21st, 1951 and the Institution of Woodworth Lodge at Kenton on May 6th, 1952.

Possibly the most pleasant duty I performed on your behalf, was when, with a party of 19 older brethren we journeyed to Souris on May 27th, 1952, and at the home of his daughter, presented Bro. Thomas Young with a Fifty-Year Jewel. Bro. Young, who is 93, is very alert mentally, and was very appreciative of the honor conferred on him. He has been a worthy member of Composite Lodge No. 64 for 51 years.

Along with M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan and R.W. Bro. H. M. Kerr I attended Napinka's 50th anniversary August 2nd, 1951. This proved a fine meeting, the reading of the Historical Register was most interesting. M.W. Bro. Donovan's address at the evening session was a highlight.

As your representative, M.W. Sir, I have attended about 37 meetings and have visited all the lodges in the District. I hope my efforts may in some small measure have helped to build goodwill between the brethren and lodges in the Seventh Masonic District. With two or three exceptions I have visited all lodges at least twice. Owing to indifferent health at times, some visits I had planned could not be made. I gave addresses at all official visits, and apologize if they were not as brief as is to be desired. I found the subjects chosen were hard to cover in few words.

On account of delayed harvest operations, attendance at some official visits was only fair. Date of official visits are as follows:

Lebanon Lodge No. 43	September 4, 1951.
Composite Lodge No. 64	September 20, 1951.
Elkhorn Lodge No. 74	October 8, 1951.
Oak Lake Lodge No. 44	October 11, 1951.
Tweed Lodge No. 113	October 16, 1951.
Lansdowne Lodge No. 107	October 24, 1951.
Fenwick Lodge No. 158	October 26, 1951.
Brandon Lodge 19	November 13, 1951.

I have noted the following during my term of office:

Most lodges are proficient in their opening and closing and in their degree work.

With one exception a fine spirit of co-operation and goodwill is evident in all lodges. In one lodge where little differences appear, I believe this will correct itself, as the younger members and officers appear to get along well together.

Attendance of resident members is higher on a percentage basis in rural lodges than in the city lodges. The highest average attendance of resident members is 78% and the lowest 19%.

Lodges where Past Masters attend regularly and give continued support appear to do better than those where such is not the case. Some Past Masters as soon as they are through the chairs, appear to take no further interest. I feel that a special directive to all Immediate Past Masters might help.

Dues in some lodges appear to be too low, they are actually not covering expenses.

Some lodges have very keen officers and it is apparent that they are doing considerable study along Masonic lines. The Quiz project which I have tried to promote in all lodges has helped further Masonic research where contests have been held.

There is a considerable diversity in writing up Minutes. Some Secretaries' Minutes are exceptionally well recorded, others could be improved on.

As my year's work draws to a close, one of the pleasant memories that will remain with me, is the new friendships made and the old friendships renewed. What would life be without friends? I feel that I will never be able to return, even in a small way the many kindnesses shown me as your representative in this District.

I wish to thank the brethren of my own lodge for their generosity to me, without their help and support so freely given, the load would have been much greater. Also to the brethren of all lodges, I deeply appreciate the many courtesies extended to me. I wish to record also, the help and advice so often accorded me by M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan, R.W. Bro. F. R. Willmott, R.W. Bro. J. W. Broatch, R.W. Bro. W. A. Prugh, R.W. Bro. H. M. Kerr and others, their help was most valuable.

In conclusion I wish to express my sincere thanks to the brethren of the District for so kindly electing me as their D.D.G.M. and to you, M.W. Sir, for confirming the Election.

Finally to my District Secretary R.W. Bro. O. M. McKay, I owe a debt of gratitude which will be hard to repay. He was ever-ready to assist me and without his timely help and advice, the year would have been much more difficult for me.

Fraternally submitted,

AUSTIN D. BLAIR.
D.D.G.M. Seventh Masonic District.

EIGHTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba A. F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit for your approval, a report of my activities as your representative for the year 1951-52.

My first official duty was to appoint Bro. W. R. McNab, J.W. East Star No. 55, as the District Secretary, W. Bro. Rev. J. W. Cruikshanks, Patricia No. 125, as District Chaplain, W. Bro. R. A. McKenzie, Shiloh No. 90, was again elected District Treasurer.

The Masters, Wardens, and Secretaries of the District were summoned to meet at Morris, July 15th, at an informal gathering, to discuss the problems of the various lodges, with the hope that a better understanding of our duties to the Lodge, in particular, and the Craft, in general, might be achieved. Many problems were ironed out to the satisfaction of all brethren present.

Many interesting activities took place during my year of office.

A pleasant and fraternal meeting of a group of our brethren with those of North Dakota at Walhalla, N.D. was held Sunday, July 8th. The afternoon was taken up with a family picnic in Riverside Park. This was followed, at 3 o'clock, by a program of sacred music, led by W. Bro. Gordon L. Paxman, who presided over this meeting. A short sermon was delivered by Rev. Homer G. Harrington, Gr. Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota. We were then addressed by M.W. Bro. Dr. Glen C. Hulett, Gr. Master of North Dakota and M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole, Past Gr. Master of Manitoba. A Tyled Lodge was held on beautiful Masonic Look Out Point. The Lodge was opened by officers of our King Solomon Lodge No. 8, and closed by the officers of Milton Lodge No. 4, N.D.

I have made one official visit and revisited most of the lodges, to observe Degree Work. My official visits were as follows:

August 2, 1951	East Star Lodge No. 55.
September 12, 1951	Sprague Lodge No. 132.
October 9, 1951	King Solomon Lodge No. 8.
November 15, 1951	Emerson Lodge No. 6.
November 7, 1951	Patricia Lodge No. 125.
November 8, 1951	Shiloh Lodge No. 70.
November 19, 1951	Midlothian Lodge No. 90.
November 27, 1951	Penza Lodge No. 120.

On all these visits I was accompanied by a number of P.D.D.G.M.s, P.M.s and principal officers of the District Lodges. I would, at this time, like to mention, and thank, W. Bro. Geo. Lardner, Beaver Lodge No. 139, for his kind and able support on the several occasions he was kind enough to accompany me.

The District Meeting was held at Morris, in the new Masonic Temple. All lodges were represented, as well as visitors from neighboring lodges, including North Dakota. A question and answer period was conducted by M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald, and R.W. Bro. L. C. Welsh, which was very instructive and profitable. The attendance was a good average one.

At this Meeting W. Bro. J. J. Tjadin, Patricia No. 125, was acclaimed D.D.G.M.-elect for the year 1952-53, his being the only name submitted.

In the absence of M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole, you, Sir, presented a P.D.D.G.M. Apron and Jewel to R.W. Bro. A. C. Orchard who replied in a sincere and fitting manner.

In addition to my official and second visits I attended many special meetings and functions. One that I recall vividly was the Divine Service at Emerson to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the founding of Emerson Lodge No. 6 A.F. & A.M. M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly conducted the service and delivered a strong and interesting sermon. The Shrine Chanters were present and gave their usual enjoyable performance.

It was a pleasure for me to accompany you on many occasions, including the Constitution of Charleswood Lodge, the Institution of Harry Woods and Friendship Lodges. Also the First, Tenth and Twelfth District

Meetings. As for the Eighth Masonic District, there was the 75th Anniversary of Emerson Lodge No. 6, the Dedication of the new Temple of Shiloh Lodge No. 70, Roland, and the formal opening of the new Temple at King Solomon Lodge No. 8, Morris. These are but a few of the many pleasant evenings spent in your company.

On March 25th, 1952, Mrs. Dick and I were invited to attend Ladies' Night at King Solomon Lodge No. 8, Morris. We were very pleased to go and had a grand time.

On all my official visits a good attendance of the members was ample proof of the enthusiasm of the brethren in the affairs of their respective lodges. The work in all of the lodges was of the highest calibre. Most of the principal officers are young men, who are ably supported by the older Past Masters, all working together in perfect harmony.

New Temples, and additions to the older buildings, have proven that the brethren have a real interest in their lodge premises.

All lodges are in an enviable position. I have found the Lodge books and records well kept, finances in a healthy state and a favorable report in regard to outstanding dues.

In most of the Lodges, the newly-made Mason has been given the opportunity of being able to take part in the proceedings of the lodge.

On Sunday, May 25th, 1952, our Annual Church Parade was held in Morris United Church, Morris.

I was pleased, Most Worshipful Sir, to have you and a number of the Grand Lodge Officers present on this occasion.

It was an inspiration to have so many brethren of the Eighth Masonic District and their ladies in attendance.

We of the Eighth District had so much to be thankful for in the past year, and this service conducted by Rev. Geo. F. Dyker, who spoke on "Three Types of Man." The text taken from the 28th Chapter of Genesis Verses 20, 21, 22, was a fitting climax to a successful year, and an inspiration to attain greater things during the coming year.

In closing I wish to express my appreciation to the Grand Lodge Officers for their support and assistance, and to the Masters, Past Masters, and the brethren generally, who accompanied me on my official visits. Also the able support of the District Officers, in the execution of their duties.

The honor of being your representative for the year 1951-52 has indeed paid large dividends to me; in the experience I have gained, and the many friends I have made during my term. For this I wish to thank you most sincerely.

If, in my humble manner, I have made some small contribution to the furtherance of Freemasonry, I shall feel that my term as District Deputy Grand Master has not been in vain.

Fraternally submitted,

ALEX R. DICK,
D.D.G.M. Eighth Masonic District.

NINTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration and approval my report as your District Deputy Grand Master for the Ninth Masonic District.

After our Grand Master had confirmed my appointment I selected R.W. Brother John Livesey as District Secretary and W. Brother T. W. Neelands as District Chaplain, to these brethren I extend a very hearty thanks for their assistance and discharging their duties in a very capable manner especially R.W. Brother John Livesey who was always so kind and helpful. Allow me to express my sincere appreciation for the honor you so graciously conferred on me by confirming my appointment, and to the brethren of the Ninth Masonic District who placed their confidence in me by electing me as their District Deputy Grand Master, I do hope that I have merited their confidence and have left with the brethren something worth while during my term of office.

We held our District Meeting at Swan River on Wednesday, Nov. 7th, 1951, and had an exceptionly fine attendance at both afternoon and evening sessions. At the afternoon session the reports of all the Secretaries of the Lodges in the District were received and it was noted that all the Lodges in the District were showing progress. A number of questions were brought forward and these were discussed in a very friendly manner with the Grand Lodge Officers giving advice and assistance. Following this the election of W. Bro. H. C. Cronwell for District Deputy Grand Master was approved; (since that time W. Brother H. C. Cronwell, owing to ill health has withdrawn, and at a special District Meeting held in Swan River on March 26, 1952, W. Bro. Geo. Kelso of Roblin Lodge No. 122 was nominated and passed for approval by the Most Worshipful the Grand Master). At 5.30 p.m. the meeting adjorned from labor to refreshment; our banquet was held in the Valley Hotel and was served by Bro. Bert Downs, everyone enjoying a very well served supper, after which the Grand Master M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe and several other brethren spoke. Labor resumed at 8.15 p.m. and immediately upon opening the evening session the Most Worshipful the Grand Master Brother Fred H. Blythe and his Suite were officially received and asked to take seats in the East. R.W. Bro. Livesey the District Secretary presented a summary of the afternoon session. Following this was the presentation of the Past District Deputy Grand Master's Apron by the Most Worshipful Grand Master Fred H. Blythe to R.W. Bro. C. F. Shaw, who made an appropriate reply. M.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe then gave a very inspiring address which was fully enjoyed by all the brethren.

In my term of office as District Deputy Grand Master I visited all the lodges in the Ninth Masonic District and have endeavoured to make a second visit, at all the meetings I was accompanied by R.W. Bro. John Livesey, a number of brethren from Prince Arthur Lodge No. 105 and other lodges in the District. I also had the pleasure of having with me on many occasions, R.W. Bro. J. E. Conn, D.D.G.M. of the Tenth Masonic District Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, and I in turn had the pleasure of being with him on three of his official visits.

On all my visits in the District I found good harmony prevailing and all lodges progressing: I found the officers to be very proficient in the work and ever-striving to improve.

My only regret, Most Worshipful Sir, has been that I was unable to attend any of the Board Meetings during my year and apologize for my non-attendance.

Finally, I wish to express to your Most Worshipful Sir and all the brethren of the Ninth Masonic District my sincere thanks and appreciation in electing me to such high office and for all the assistance I received from the brethren during my term—it has been a happy experience and will ever remain as such in my memory.

Fraternally submitted,

WILLIAM L. FOSHNER,
D.D.G.M. Ninth Masonic District.

TENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

As my year as your representative as District Deputy Grand Master of the Tenth Masonic District draws to a close, I take pleasure in submitting an account of my stewardship.

First may I take the opportunity of expressing my appreciation and thanks to the brethren of this District in electing me to this office. And to you, Most Worshipful Sir, for confirming that election.

My official duties began with the appointment of District officers as follows: Secretary, V.W. Bro. Les Barnes; Chaplain, W. Bro. Wm. Thomson; Treas., W. Bro. Geo. Timbers. All of whom are active P.M.s of Kildonan Lodge No. 131. Official visits to the ten lodges in the District were as follows:

Stony Mountain Lodge No. 134	September 5, 1951
Pine Falls Lodge No. 154	September 14, 1951
Manitouwapa Lodge No. 156	Sept. 18, 1951
The Dormer No. 151	October 2, 1951
Stonewall Lodge No. 12	October 4, 1951
Seven Oaks Lodge No. 148	October 12, 1951
Ophir Lodge No. 112	October 15, 1951
Transcona No. 123	Nov. 2, 1951
Kildonan Lodge No. 131	November 13, 1951
Lisgar Lodge No. 2	Nov. 20, 1951

At all of these visits I was received with the dignity and respect due the representative of the Grand Master. On nearly all of these visits I was supported by many active and enthusiastic Freemasons of my own and other Districts. And more especially by the brethren of my own lodge, Kildonan Lodge No. 131. To all these brethren I express my sincere appreciation.

On each of these visits I gave a short address on some Masonic topic which I thought might be interesting and instructive to the brethren. Also all the lodges in the District were visited by me unofficially two or more times.

It was my pleasure to witness degree work in every lodge visited unofficially. The ceremonies were well and impressively performed, and the effect on the candidates was particularly noticeable. On the few occasions when it was necessary to draw attention to minor errors or omissions, my suggestions were well received by all officers concerned.

All but two lodges in the District maintain libraries, but it is a matter of regret that they do not all make full use of their opportunities in this connection; on more than one occasion I stressed the value of Masonic literature in the work of the lodge, and urged the members, particularly those who were newly admitted to take full advantage of the opportunity provided by their own library, and that of Grand Lodge which was cited as a storehouse of learning for anyone desiring to increase his knowledge of the Craft.

Only two lodges, Ophir No. 112 and Seven Oaks No. 148, have study groups, and the progress they have made furnishes an excellent example to the other Lodges in the District. We hope that this work will be extended to the other lodges if only because its value is so apparent.

The record of the Study Group in Seven Oaks Lodge speaks well for the vision and enthusiasm of its members, and there is every reason to feel that its usefulness and importance will increase as the years go by.

Two of the lodges have Bursary Funds provided by donations from their individual members. Grants from these funds are made to needy students of ability in their respective localities to enable these students to proceed with advanced studies.

The enthusiasm and zeal of the officers and members of the various lodges was reflected in the success of the District Meeting, held in East Kildonan Nov. 22, 1951.

After a delightful banquet held at John Black Memorial Church, attended by upwards of 80 brethren, at which the usual toasts were proposed, the brethren adjourned to the lodge room in The Dormer for the official opening of the District Meeting.

After registration the meeting open at 8.00 p.m. and it was with particular pleasure that we welcomed yourself as Grand Master and the goodly number of Grand Lodge Officers who accompanied you.

Reports in writing from eight of the ten lodges were read by the District Secretary. These covered in a general way the activities of the various lodges during the year, not only in regard to ceremonial work but particularly their efforts made to attract and maintain the interests of the members.

We were honored by the presence of M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole of Assiniboine Lodge No. 7, Imm. Past Grand Master, who officiated at the presentation of a P.D.D.G.M. apron to R.W. Bro. Albert Pritchard of Seven Oaks Lodge No. 148 who was my predecessor, and who rendered outstanding service to this District during his term of office.

In the election of a D.D.G.M. only one name, that of W.Bro. Wm. Bird of Pine Falls Lodge No. 154, was placed in nomination. It was my privilege to declare him elected by acclamation, subject to the approval of the incoming Grand Master, and this declaration was greeted with enthusiasm.

The Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington, gave a very colorful and interesting account of his visit to the Grand Masters and Grand Secretaries Conference held at Washington, D.C.

Your own address at this meeting was a source of inspiration and encouragement to all the brethren present, and its constituted the highlight of the evening's programme. The exposition of Masonic Principles with which you favored us, not only emphasized the duties we all owe to the Craft, but pointed out the various means by which we can and should fulfill our obligations. It is fitting, I think, that I should pay you a warm tribute for the effort you made to revive and stimulate our desire to serve mankind.

The outstanding feature of the year's work in this District was the formation of a new lodge at Lundar, known as the "Harry Woods Lodge." It was Instituted by yourself January 11th, 1952, at a meeting attended by a very representative group of Freemasons from this District, and a large number of prominent visitors from other parts of the Grand Jurisdiction.

The Deputy Grand Master R.W. Bro. Gordon McMorran, the Senior Grand Warden R.W. Bro. Harry Gray, the Grand Secretary M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington and other Grand Lodge Officers were present including the D.D.G.M.s from the First, Seventh, Eighth and Twelfth Masonic Districts.

The Ceremony of Institution was conducted by yourself in a most impressive manner and your good wishes to the brethren of the new lodge were endorsed enthusiastically by the whole gathering.

The presentation by the Grand Secretary M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington of a framed photograph of the late M.W. Bro. Harry Woods, after whom the lodge was named, evoked sincere and appreciate recollections of that distinguished Freemason, whose unselfish devotion to the work of the Craft form a brilliant chapter in the history of our Grand Jurisdiction.

This photograph was presented by his widow, Mrs. Harry Woods, who sent it with her best wishes for the success of the new lodge. The new Master, W. Bro. Olson, acknowledged the gift in fitting terms, he intimated that his own gratitude and that of the lodge was enhanced greatly by the fact that the gift and its presentation came as a complete surprise to himself and his fellow members. At later stages in the programme various speakers paid tribute to the memory of M.W. Bro. Woods, and extolled the services which he had rendered with so much devotion to the Craft as a whole.

The lodges of the Tenth Masonic District presented to the new lodge a complete set of Officers' Regalia, and R.W. Bro. McMorran, Deputy Grand Master, on behalf of Glenwood Lodge No. 27, presented a beautiful Altar. These gifts were accepted with deep gratitude and appreciation by the Master. Intimations were also given by representatives of sister lodges that further donations of equipment would be forthcoming at an early date.

There is every reason to believe that "Harry Woods Lodge" is and will continue to be an important factor in the development of Masonic influence in Lundar and surrounding area. The District is proud of its latest acquisition, confident that it will make a name for itself in the years to come.

Reference has already been made to the fact that Harry Woods Lodge was sponsored by Manitouwapa Lodge No. 156. In spite of the fact that the new lodge would of necessity take a number of members from the Mother Lodge, Manitouwapa, in a spirit typical of this lodge, exerted every effort to assist the new lodge in laying a sound foundation on which to build. It is an admirable spirit of co-operation and will, I am sure, continue to the distinct advantage of both lodges in the years that lie ahead.

On an unofficial visit to Ophir Lodge No. 112 on July 16th I found them discussing the possibility of adding an extension, 24 ft. x 36 ft., to their lodge room, for the purpose of providing a place of assembly before meeting, and for the refreshment hour.

A committee, under the able chairmanship of Bro. H. C. Ligertwood, was given the task of seeing what could be done. Plans were drawn, approved, permission obtained from Grand Lodge, and when I visited this lodge officially on October 15th, the project was an accomplished fact, complete except for some painting, and is now completely paid for, giving Ophir Lodge one of the finest lodge halls in the Tenth Masonic District.

Kildonan Lodge No. 131 and The Dormer Lodge No. 151 are contemplating the building of a new meeting place to cost approximately $30,000.00, and are now busy raising funds for the purpose. Property has been secured and the new building must be got under way shortly as the old Temple is non-modern, and has been ordered modernized or vacated by fall. These lodges are hoping to have their new building ready when work is resumed in the fall.

As well as official and unofficial visits in my own district I was very happy to have the privilege of accompanying you on many of your visits, including District meetings of the First, Second, Fifth, Seventh and Twelfth Masonic Districts, and also at the Institution of Harry Woods Lodge and Woodworth Lodge, and the Constitution of Charleswood, Starbuck and Ashlar Lodges.

It is with regret that I mention the passing to the Grand Lodge Above of R.W. Robt. Muckle, a member, Past Master and Acting Secretary of Lisgar Lodge No. 2; a P.D.D.G.M. of the Tenth Masonic District, and a member of the Board of General Purposes of Grand Lodge.

R.W. Bro. Muckle was a man deeply respected and beloved in his community and his lodge, and wherever Freemasons gather in the various districts under this Grand Jurisdiction. And his cheerful presence will be greatly missed at all these gatherings, and particularly in his own lodge.

In regard to Freemasonry in this Tenth Masonic District, I believe that it is in a very progressive and healthy condition. That all the lodges in the district are in a sound financial position, and that harmony does prevail.

Before concluding I would like to express to you, Most Worshipful Sir, my thanks and appreciation for your encouragement and many kindnesses during my term of office.

I would like also to thank the Grand Secretary M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington for his assistance and helpful suggestions wherever needed, and to the many other Grand Lodge Officers and brethren who by their association and friendships have made this year of office one of the happiest of my Masonic life.

Respectfully submitted,

E. L. WHITE

D.D.G.M. Tenth Masonic District.

TWELFTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

It is my privilege to submit to you a report of my activities as your representative for the Twelfth Masonic District, as well as some observations I would like to make on the state of Freemasonry in this District.

I shall always recall with pleasure that the first Official Duty I was called on to discharge was to respectfully advise you that the brethren of Charleswood Lodge had instructed me to inform you that they were desirous of having their lodge Consecrated. This request you were pleased to accede to, and on June 25th, 1951, Charleswood Lodge No. 163, became the twelfth constituent lodge of the Twelfth Masonic District.

Since that date I have visited Charleswood Lodge on a number of occasions, and I am pleased to testify that the brethren of this lodge, under able leadership, are working together in harmony for the good of Freemasonry in the Charleswood district, and thus amply justifying the confidence you placed in them.

In drawing up my schedule of visits I decided to deviate from the practice of recent years of attempting to complete these Officials Visits before the end of the calendar year; instead I left five visits over to the early part of 1952. This meant, of course, that five of the Masters did not receive an Official visit from the D.D.G.M. during their term of office, but I am sure they realized that by doing so I was avoiding a too-crowded schedule of visits.

My Official Visits to the District lodges were made as follows:

Meridian Lodge No. 140	September 20, 1951
Fort Osborne Lodge No. 144	October 2, 1951
Beaver Lodge No. 139	October 11, 1951
Capitol Lodge No. 136	November 2, 1951
Tuscan Lodge No. 141	November 9, 1951
Fort Garry Lodge No. 130	November 14, 1951
Mount Sinai Lodge No. 143	November 22, 1951
Fidelity Lodge No. 146	January 4, 1952
Lord Selkirk Lodge No. 137	January 9, 1952
Windsor Lodge No. 138	January 14, 1952
Sturgeon Creek Lodge No. 145	February 4, 1952
Charleswood Lodge No. 163	February 11, 1952

I would like to make special reference to my Official Visit to my Mother Lodge, Lord Selkirk No. 137, which coincided with the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of my initiation into Freemasonry, and it gave me an opportunity to tell my brethren what my association with the lodge had meant to me, and what happiness I had derived from my connection with Freemasonry.

On this occasion the members of the Forty-four Club turned out in force to augment my suite, a gesture I very much appreciated.

On my Official visits to the lodges of the District I was on every occasion received as your representative with courtesy and fitting ceremony, and I would like to thank all the brethren who accompanied me to form my suite on these visits. If I might single out two brethren, I would like to mention my immediate predecessor, R.W. Bro. J. Reid Glenn, who saw fit to give me his support by accompanying me so often, and also the senior P.D.D.G.M. of this District, R.W. Bro. George R. Mackay, whose advice and support I have so often relied on.

No one could visit these lodges as I have done throughout the season without being impressed by the fact that Freemasonry is in a very healthy condition in this District. With one exception I have witnessed degree work in all lodges, and I would like to report that on the whole the degrees are being very well exemplified. If there is one suggestion I might make it is that the Chairmen of the Committees of Instruction take special care to have the penalties exactly correct, for in some cases I have noticed a slight variation from the correct wording.

From my observation I would say that the lodges in this District are under good leadership, as many of the Masters are men of outstanding ability and well qualified to give leadership and discharge the duties reposed in them, and this applies also to the Senior and Junior Wardens who appear to be capable of filling the shoes of their predecessors when the time comes. The Junior officers are on the whole showing a keen interest, which bodes well for the future of their lodges.

While attendance in most cases is very good, I would suggest there is still room for improvement. In every lodge a gratifying increase in membership is shown, but unfortunately this increase is not reflected as it might be in the average lodge attendance. This is a matter which should give our Masters and Officers cause for concern. The solution, I think, lies largely with the Master. While it is realized that with the continuing influx of candidates a great deal of time must be given to degree work, yet we should never lose sight of the fact that the interests of the members of the lodge must take precedence over that of petitioners, and Masters should plan their work so that as many Regular nights as possible are devoted to some activity which will stimulate the interest of the members of the lodge.

On two of my Official visits I spoke on the question of the duties of a sponsor, stressing the grave responsibility a member takes in sponsoring a petition, and the necessity of being absolutely certain that the petitioner is a fit and proper person to become a Freemason.

Throughout the year I followed the practice of holding monthly dinner meetings with the Masters and Wardens of the different lodges, as well as the District Officers. At each meeting I arranged to have a paper read on some appropriate Masonic subject, and I think we all profited by the discussion which followed the presentation of these papers.

Our Annual District Meeting, which was well attended, was held on January 29th. Interesting reports were submitted by representatives of the District lodges outlining the more significant features of their work throughout the season, and I was impressed by the concise manner in which these reports were prepared.

A feature of this evening was a brief discussion on the topic, "That it would be to the best interests of the Lodges if Master Masons were permitted to take a more active part in the conferring of Degrees." Different views were ably given by W. Bro. E. M. Finkleman of Mount Sinai Lodge, W. Bro. George Lardner of Beaver Lodge, and the Senior Warden of Beaver Lodge, Bro. Athol Gordon. Unfortunately time did not permit of a general discussion from the floor, but I know the subject was presented by these brethren in such a manner as to give their hearers food for thought.

There being but one nomination for the office of D.D.G.M. for the ensuing term, that of W.Bro. Frank M. Bastin, who was accordingly declared elected, subject to the approval of the Grand Master.

It was my privilege to welcome you and your suite to this meeting, and I must again express my thanks for the timely Address you delivered to the brethren, which dealt partly with the conducting of lodge proceedings in such a manner as to avoid unnecessary repetition, and thus tend to make our lodge meetings more interesting, particularly to the newer brethren.

Our Annual Ladies' Night was held on March 28th, and as in past years the evening proved to be very enjoyable one, in spite of the fact that the attendance was somewhat below expectation.

Our Annual Church Service was held at Holy Trinity Church. I was gratified by the large attendance of brethren, and I made a point of conveying to the Rector, the Rev. J. I. McKinney, our thanks for the courtesies extended to us on that occasion. Mr. McKinney very appropriately based his sermon on the Fifth Chapter of First Kings, pointing out the lesson to be learned from King David's failure to build the Temple, and he also stressed the value of co-operation as exemplified by King Hiram's offer to King Solomon of men and material to assist in the building of the Temple.

During my term of Office it was my pleasure to be with you on a number of your Official Visits, including the Consecration of Charleswood Lodge No. 163, Starbuck Lodge No. 160, and Ashlar Lodge No. 162, as well as the Institution of Harry Woods Lodge at Lundar. It was not only a sense of duty which prompted me to be with you on these occasions, but I was also prompted by the knowledge that from your message to the brethren I would derive personal benefit.

The brethren of the Twelfth Masonic District join their brethren of this Grand Jurisdiction in mourning the deaths of three Past Grand Masters in the persons, M.W. Bro. Peter T. Pilkey, M.W. Bro. Ben C. Parker and M.W. Bro. George Hunter, all of which occurred since the last Grand Communication. These distinguished brethren, each in his own way, contributed much to Freemasonry in Manitoba, and by their zeal for the Craft, set an example for us who are left, to endeavour to emulate.

In conclusion, Most Worshipful Sir, I would like to thank you for confirming my election as your District Deputy Grand Master for this District. It was indeed a privilege as well as a great honor to have served you in this capacity. I shall always be grateful for your friendly counsel.

I felt throughout that my task was made easier by the splendid support which I received from my District Officers, W.Bro. Frank C. Bastin, District Secretary; W.Bro. Robert Aikman, District Chaplain, and W.Bro. Sam Swanton, District Treasurer.

I would also like to express my thanks to the Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington, and to the Executive Secretary and staff of the Grand Secretary's Office for their assistance and advice which was always available to me.

One could not have held this office during the past term as I have done without being deeply impressed by the spirit of harmony and brotherhood prevailing throughout the lodges of this District, and I shall always look back on my year of office with a feeling of gratitude towards the Masters, Officers and brethren of these lodges for the many kindnesses and the co-operation I received from them, all of which made my term of your D.D.G.M. for the Twelfth Masonic District a very happy one.

Fraternally submitted,

MATT FERGUSON
D.D.G.M. Twelfth Masonic District.

In Memoriam

DEDICATED
TO
THE DISTINGUISHED DEAD OF
SISTER
GRAND LODGES
1951

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

Benjamin Cronyn Parker

St. John's Lodge No. 4

District Deputy Grand Master, 1937
Junior Grand Warden, 1940
Senior Grand Warden, 1941
Deputy Grand Master, 1942
Grand Master, 1943

DIED

December 28th, 1951

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY

OF

Peter Thomas Pilkey

Ionic Lodge No. 25

Grand Chaplain, 1939-40-41
Junior Grand Warden, 1942
Senior Grand Warden, 1943
Deputy Grand Master, 1944
Grand Master, 1945
Grand Secretary, 1946-47-48-49

DIED

October 7th, 1951

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

George Hunter

Deloraine Lodge No. 40
Northern Light Lodge No. 10

District Deputy Grand Master, 1926
Junior Grand Warden, 1927
Senior Grand Warden, 1928
Deputy Grand Master, 1929
Grand Master, 1930
Grand Librarian, 1946-47

DIED

April 25th, 1952

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY

OF

Victor Albert Bowes

Northern Light Lodge No. 10

Grand Master, 1934

Grand Lodge of Alberta

DIED

September 29th, 1951

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

Robert Montgomery Muckle

Lisgar Lodge No. 2

District Deputy Grand Master, 1943

DIED

October 18th, 1951

Edgar Samuel Gardiner

Corinthian Lodge No. 15

District Deputy Grand Master, 1935

DIED

September 14th, 1951

Edward Bolton

Brandon Lodge No. 19

Senior Grand Deacon, 1918
District Deputy Grand Master, 1919

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

James Harold Hamilton

Glenboro Lodge No. 48

District Deputy Grand Master, 1947

DIED

December 1st, 1951

John Percival MacKinnon

Temple Lodge No. 49

District Deputy Grand Master, 1919

DIED

February 28th, 1951

James Burnett

Napinka Lodge No. 77

District Deputy Grand Master, 1929

DIED

March 29th, 1951

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

Alfred Leonard Curtis

Union Lodge No. 108

District Deputy Grand Master, 1933

DIED

April 6th, 1951

John Polworth Lawrie

Union Lodge No. 108

District Deputy Grand Master, 1925

DIED

October 17th, 1951

Charles Cannon

Strathcona Lodge No. 117

District Deputy Grand Master, 1915

DIED

June 9th, 1951

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

Robert G. Musgrove

The Pas Lodge No. 124

District Deputy Grand Master, 1929

DIED

August 15th, 1951

Henry William Hislop Laing

Favel Lodge No. 126

District Deputy Grand Master, 1919

DIED

November 30th, 1951

Alexander Charles Campbell

Lord Selkirk Lodge No. 137

District Deputy Grand Master, 1932

DIED

March 29th, 1951

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

Andrew Dick Russell

Harmony Lodge No. 142

District Deputy Grand Master, 1948

DIED

May 6th, 1951

William Taylor Whiteford

Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1

Grand Organist, 1932

DIED

February 27th, 1951

William Robert Smith

Ionic Lodge No. 25

Senior Grand Deacon, 1917

DIED

November 3rd, 1951

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY

OF

William Campbell

Empire Lodge No. 127

Grand Tyler, 1941

DIED

April 28th, 1951

IN MEMORY

OF THE BELOVED BRETHREN WHO ARE

At Rest

Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Bazen, Wm.	Jan. 1, 1951	Prince Rupert's	1
Home, B.	Jan. 20, 1951	Prince Rupert's	1
Mott, E. A.	Mar. 18, 1951	Prince Rupert's	1
Chisholm, S. C.	June 3, 1951	Prince Rupert's	1
Cowan, E. C.	July 6, 1951	Prince Rupert's	1
Bailey, B. S.	Aug. 14, 1951	Prince Rupert's	1
Sund, P. A.	Dec. 16, 1951	Prince Rupert's	1
Harris, J.	Mar. 10, 1951	Lisgar	2
Tomkins, J. D.	Mar. 14, 1951	Lisgar	2
Pook, Wm. T.	Sept. 22, 1951	Lisgar	2
Lougheed, F.	Mar. 15, 1951	Ancient Landmark	3
Dalik, D. P.	Mar. 30, 1951	Ancient Landmark	3
Watters, Wm.	May 7, 1951	Ancient Landmark	3
Wager, W. H.	Aug. 18, 1951	Ancient Landmark	3
Shaw, E. E.	Sep. 13, 1951	Ancient Landmark	3
Docker, J. M.	Sep. 25, 1951	Ancient Landmark	3
McMillan, H.	Oct. 25, 1951	Ancient Landmark	3
Ashley, M. A.	Nov. 2, 1951	Ancient Landmark	3
McVagh, J. A. C.	Dec. 26, 1951	Ancient Landmark	3
McNaughton, R. L.	Dec. 27, 1951	Ancient Landmark	3
Jefferys, G. M.	Jan. 9, 1951	St. John's	4
Murphy, S. A.	Feb. 12, 1951	St. John's	4
Young, E. W.	Feb. 25, 1951	St. John's	4
Montgomery, A. R.	Mar. 4, 1951	St. John's	4
Ross, Jas.	May 9, 1951	St. John's	4
McKenzie, D. E.	July 22, 1951	St. John's	4
Martin, W. J.	July 27, 1951	St. John's	4
Moorhead, D. B.	Sep. 28, 1951	St. John's	4
Shouldice, J. E.	Nov. 6, 1951	St. John's	4
Holtman, J. A.	Nov. 9, 1951	St. John's	4
Daw, H. W.	Dec. 2, 1951	St. John's	4
Crosland, B. W.	Apr. 3, 1951	Assiniboine	7
Baird, J. H.	Apr. 20, 1951	Assiniboine	7
Gibb, W. J.	Aug. 6, 1951	Assiniboine	7
Trimble, J.	Nov. 9, 1951	Assiniboine	7
Fraser, John	June 25, 1951	King Solomon	8
Pentz, C. E.	Nov. 5, 1951	King Solomon	8
McConkey, R.	Jan. 8, 1951	Northern Light	10
Bosomworth, G. F.	Jan. 23, 1951	Northern Light	10
Reid, Adam	Feb. 20, 1951	Northern Light	10
Dailley, W. G. B.	Mar. 14, 1951	Northern Light	10

IN MEMORY

OF THE BELOVED BRETHREN WHO ARE

At Rest

Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Stephens, Rev. J. G.	Dec. 22, 1951	Northern Light	10
Taylor, H. M.	May 3, 1951	Northern Light	10
Wilson, J. A.	Dec. 25, 1951	Northern Light	10
McLaughlin, W. J.	June 24, 1951	Gladstone	11
Lodge, R. G.	Aug. 17, 1951	Gladstone	11
Sumner, F.	Mar. 26, 1951	Stonewall	12
Hipwell, H. R.	May 3, 1951	Stonewall	12
Marsh, S. M.	Jan. 2, 1951	Morden	13
Andrews, E.	Feb. 20, 1951	Prince of Wales	14
Fanthorpe, C. W.	Apr. 27, 1951	Prince of Wales	14
McKay, R. J.	Oct. 14, 1951	Prince of Wales	14
Phillips, V. R.	Feb. 12, 1951	Brandon	19
Hart, W.	Mar. 19, 1951	Brandon	19
Beal, E. G.	Apr. 2, 1951	Brandon	19
Watson, E. J.	Apr. 21, 1951	Brandon	19
Lindsay, Jas.	May 7, 1951	Brandon	19
Higgenbottom, Geo.	June 16, 1951	Brandon	19
Tennant, G. A.	Oct. 23, 1951	Brandon	19
Hancock, H.	Feb. 8, 1951	Neepawa	24
Campbell, H. H.	May 14, 1951	Neepawa	24
Kitt, J. F.	May 18, 1951	Neepawa	24
Tindall, Thos.	July 26, 1951	Neepawa	24
Stone, M. A. E.	Sep. 29, 1951	Neepawa	24
Heys, A. G.	Nov. 20, 1951	Neepawa	24
Lee, J. W.	Nov. 29, 1951	Neepawa	24
Pyne, R. A.	Jan. 8, 1951	Ionic	25
Harris, A. E.	Mar. 23, 1951	Ionic	25
Morgan, R. J.	Apr. 13, 1951	Ionic	25
Mann, Dan.	July 5, 1951	Ionic	25
Johnson, R. A.	Aug. 4, 1951	Ionic	25
Thurlbeck, J. H.	Aug. 18, 1951	Ionic	25
Thompson, W. W.	Aug. 30, 1951	Ionic	25
Pink, C. W.	Nov. 3, 1951	Ionic	25
Holmes, W. J.	Dec. 19, 1951	Ionic	25
Gray, W. D.	May 22, 1951	Glenwood	27
Kellington, H. W.	Dec. 19, 1951	Glenwood	27
Garland, W. P.	Aug. 19, 1950	Carberry	29
Stephen, Lewis	Oct. 29, 1951	Carberry	29
Cathrae, W. A.	Dec. 29, 1951	Carberry	29
Trewin, C. G.	Jan. 1951	Deloraine	40
Vasey, W. E.	May 19, 1951	Deloraine	40

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At Rest

Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Kyles, S. N.	Feb. 14, 1951	Lebanon	43
Green, H. E.	June 17, 1951	Lebanon	43
Fowler, H. O.	July 4, 1951	Lebanon	43
Bell, J. C.	Oct. 29, 1951	Lebanon	43
Hamilton, J. H.	Dec. 1, 1951	Oak Lake	44
Oldershaw, O. A.	June 7, 1951	Temple	49
Brown, A.	June 19, 1951	Temple	49
Donoghue, Jas.	July 19, 1951	Russell	62
Ross, W. J.	Jan. 19, 1951	Holland	63
McLeod, L. G.	Apr. 24, 1951	Composite	64
Bradley, J. E.	Aug. 11, 1951	Composite	64
Birtles, A. J.	Sep. 13, 1951	Composite	64
Gullett, R. L.	July 19, 1951	Wawanesa	67
Bell, A. C.	Aug. 16, 1951	Vermillion	68
Bowman, J. L.	Sep. 17, 1951	Vermillion	68
Pierson, E.	Oct. 18, 1951	Vermillion	68
Nelson, Robt.	Dec. 6, 1951	Vermillion	68
Barlow, O.	Mar. 9, 1951	Shiloh	70
Nelson, N. P.	Jan. 5, 1951	Elkhorn	74
Lawrence, G. H.	Dec. 10, 1951	Elkhorn	74
Bugg, O. T.	Dec. 17, 1951	Napinka	77
Townsend, Wm.	Jan. 19, 1951	Cypress	82
Weightman, J. J.	Apr. 13, 1951	Elgin	86
Whittingham, J. T.	Apr. 15, 1951	Elgin	86
Leishman, A. G. V.	Feb. 5, 1951	Shoal Lake	92
Hopkinson, J.	June 21, 1951	King Edward	93
McCartney, G.	Sep. 4, 1951	King Edward	93
Johnston, J. E.	Sep. 12, 1951	Hiram	94
Mills, N.	Sep. 30, 1951	Hiram	94
McMillan, N. A.	Apr. 10, 1951	Robbie Burns	100
Cunningham, D.	June 11, 1951	Miniota	102
Johnston, J.	Sep. 27, 1951	Miniota	102
Kay, J. T.	Jan. 5, 1951	Reston	104
Bullock, T. A.	July 25, 1951	Reston	104
Heyes, J. T.	Oct. 27, 1951	Prince Arthur	105
Black, R. J.	Aug. 30, 1951	Union	108
Fleming, W.	Aug. 25, 1951	Kilwinning	110
Tucker, W. H.	Oct. 2, 1951	Kilwinning	110
Audrain, A. P.	Feb. 23, 1951	Acacia	111
Laurie, J. W.	Oct. 27, 1951	Ophir	112
Richardson, T.	June 7, 1951	Tweed	113

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Donovan, L. N.	Oct. 15, 1951	Tweed	113
Maguire, J.	Oct. 29, 1951	Tweed	113
Wade, Jas.	Nov. 12, 1951	Tweed	113
Caldwell, H. L.	Dec. 17, 1951	Tweed	113
Parker, R. J.	Jan. 28, 1951	"The Assiniboine"	114
Dowler, W. J.	Apr. 14, 1951	"The Assiniboine"	114
MacDonald, J. D.	June 15, 1951	"The Assiniboine"	114
Mercer, R. J.	Oct. 2, 1951	"The Assiniboine"	114
Reid, J. Y. (Jr.)	Oct. 12, 1951	"The Assiniboine"	114
Young, R. C.	Nov. 26, 1951	"The Assiniboine"	114
Weldon, E. A.	Nov. 30, 1951	"The Assiniboine"	114
Ewart, K. D.	Dec. 13, 1951	"The Assiniboine"	114
Whyte, Jas.	July 13, 1951	St. Andrew's	116
Cohoe, C. B.	Mar. 23, 1951	Mound	118
McDonald, J. G.	Jan. 22, 1951	Norwood	119
Isherwood, J.	Aug. 31, 1951	Norwood	119
Reid, J. Y.	Oct. 12, 1951	Norwood	119
Spence, D.	May 10, 1951	Penza	120
Graham, F.	Aug. 5, 1951	Penza	120
Gleiser, A. G.	May 3, 1951	Roblin	122
Yeo, T. A.	Oct. 17, 1951	Roblin	122
Hawkins, E. C.	Mar. 21, 1951	Transcona	123
Taggart, J.	June 22, 1951	Transcona	123
Campbell, C. D.	Sep. 7, 1951	Transcona	123
Renton, W. H.	Nov. 1, 1951	Transcona	123
Bannister, J. A.	Nov. 18, 1951	Transcona	123
Luney, Wm.	Dec. 2, 1951	Transcona	123
Henderson, J. K.	Mar. 30, 1951	The Pas	124
Woodward, F.	Nov. 23, 1951	The Pas	124
Munro, J. A.	May 12, 1951	Empire	127
Smith, W. R.	Nov. 1951	Empire	127
Scott, R. S.	Sep. 15, 1951	Fort Garry	130
McLennan, J.	Dec. 22, 1951	Fort Garry	130
Hawkins, C. J.	Apr. 10, 1951	Kildonan	131
Nairn, A. N.	Sep. 2, 1951	Kildonan	131
Gilmore, T. B.	Nov. 8, 1951	McCreary	133
Gormon, G.	May 5, 1951	Capitol	136
MacKay, J.	July 29, 1951	Capitol	136
Smith, J.	Sep. 26, 1951	Capitol	136
Thomas, L. N.	Aug. 31, 1951	Lord Selkirk	137
Norton, A. E.	Oct. 22, 1951	Windsor	138

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Campbell, J. A.	Jan. 21, 1951	Beaver	139
More, Angus	Jan. 21, 1951	Meridian	140
Bentley, H.	Aug. 8, 1951	Meridian	140
Rae, J.	Aug. 19, 1951	Meridian	140
Dunne, G. G.	Oct. 10, 1951	Meridian	140
McNaughton, N.	Dec. 7, 1951	Meridian	140
Haney, R.	Feb. 1951	Tuscan	141
McKenzie, J.	Aug. 31, 1951	Tuscan	141
Meloff, S.	Nov. 18, 1951	Tuscan	141
Kaplan, H. A.	Mar. 14, 1951	Mt. Sinai	143
Dubinsky, F. B.	Apr. 20, 1951	Mt. Sinai	143
Samuels, D. T.	July 11, 1951	Mt. Sinai	143
Morton, H. A.	Aug. 29, 1951	Mt. Sinai	143
Stoller, L.	Oct. 29, 1951	Mt. Sinai	143
Wiginton, J. L.	Dec. 4, 1951	Fort Osborne	144
Gregory, L. M.	Jan. 6, 1951	Fidelity	146
Pierrpont, S. W.	Oct. 27, 1951	Jubilee	147
Jackson, G.	Dec. 19, 1951	Flin Flon	153
Plenderleith, Wm.	Mar. 8, 1951	Pine Falls	154
Jackson, J. J.	Oct. 11, 1951	Pine Falls	154
Vanmeer, A.	May 4, 1951	Carman	155
Hay, R. A.	Aug. 2, 1951	Carman	155
Kirvan, A. W.	May 6, 1951	Manitouwapa	156
Stone, H. J. E.	Nov. 20, 1951	Manitouwapa	156
Kent, H. E.	Mar. 14, 1951	Rice Lake	157
Livingstone, C. W.	Oct. 3, 1951	Starbuck	160

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Moir, C. A.	Dec. 18, 1951	Prince Rupert's	1
Johanneson, K.	Mar. 20, 1951	Lisgar	2
Primrose, J. A.	Oct. 16, 1951	Lisgar	2
Burgess, G. G.	Jan. 15, 1951	Ancient Landmark	3
Thomson, G. A.	Jan. 15, 1951	Ancient Landmark	3
Bailey, W. J.	Feb. 19, 1951	Ancient Landmark	3
Morley, R. M.	Sep. 17, 1951	Ancient Landmark	3
Teasdale, A. J.	Dec. 17, 1951	Ancient Landmark	3
Woods, M.	Dec. 31, 1951	Ancient Landmark	3
Barton, A. I.	Dec. 6, 1950	St. John's	4
Whiteley, H.	Mar. 7, 1951	St. John's	4
Belsham, F. J. C.	Oct. 3, 1951	St. John's	4
Ramsay, W. W.	Oct. 3, 1951	St. John's	4
Patterson, G.	Dec. 5, 1951	St. John's	4
Badgley, C. L.	May 22, 1951	Emerson	6
Ashby, L. H.	Nov. 21, 1951	Emerson	6
Johnston, G.	Dec. 5, 1951	Emerson	6
Breckon, G. L.	Dec. 20, 1951	Emerson	6
Russell, J. G.	Dec. 20, 1951	Emerson	6
Schnier, G. J. E.	Dec. 20, 1951	Emerson	6
Hayward, G. D.	Jan. 15, 1951	Assiniboine	7
Hamlin, J. E.	Dec. 20, 1951	Northern Light	10
Parker, A. E.	Dec. 20, 1951	Northern Light	10
Willett, Thos.	Oct. 11, 1951	Gladstone	11
Beard, W. J.	Dec. 6, 1951	Stonewall	12
Hoborough, E.	Dec. 6, 1951	Stonewall	12
Link, E. J.	Dec. 6, 1951	Stonewall	12
Link, G. S.	Dec. 6, 1951	Stonewall	12
Rose, T. C.	Dec. 6, 1951	Stonewall	12
Watson, G. V.	Dec. 31, 1951	Stonewall	12
Breault, L. E.	Dec. 21, 1950	Morden	13
Robertson, G. H.	Dec. 21, 1950	Morden	13
Schmidt, J. P.	Dec. 21, 1950	Morden	13
Marley, R. E.	Jan. 11, 1951	Prince of Wales	14
Bowman, M.	Dec. 13, 1951	Prince of Wales	14
Matthewson, R. J.	Dec. 4, 1951	Corinthian	15
McGilvery, J. H.	Mar. 13, 1951	Brandon	19
Hogman, W. J.	Nov. 13, 1951	Neepawa	24
Patridge, J. F. A.	Jan. 8, 1951	Ionic	25
Collins, T. B.	Sep. 10, 1951	Ionic	25
Jones, R. O.	Nov. 5, 1951	Ionic	25
Lawrence, A. G.	Nov. 5, 1951	Ionic	25
Manhard, H. M.	Nov. 5, 1951	Ionic	25
Elliott, J. R.	Feb. 23, 1951	Glenwood	27
McQueen, H. H.	Apr. 27, 1951	Glenwood	27
Kilpatrick, W. G.	May 25, 1951	Glenwood	27
Scharff, R. L.	Dec. 14, 1951	Glenwood	27
Gawley, G. H.	Dec. 31, 1951	Glenwood	27
Giffen, H. F.	Mar. 5, 1951	Manitou	30
Goodman, A. O.	Nov. 27, 1951	Doric	36
Rothery, J. A.	Dec. 27, 1951	Doric	36
Thomson, J. R.	Oct. 15, 1951	Birtle	39

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Sanders, F.	Dec. 17, 1951	Birtle	39
Cummings, A. H.	Dec. 4, 1951	Lebanon	43
Ewert, A. W.	Mar. 13, 1951	Glenboro	48
Kerr, John	Nov. 20, 1950	Temple	49
Orchard, F.	Dec. 18, 1951	Temple	49
Barker, A. F.	Dec. 4, 1951	Hartney	52
Friebert, A.	Dec. 4, 1951	Hartney	52
Lewis, H. W.	Apr. 24, 1951	Oriental	54
Woodbury, G. M.	Dec. 27, 1951	Oriental	54
Fletcher, E. A.	Dec. 8, 1950	East Star	55
Henderson, R. S.	Feb. 13, 1951	Russell	62
Reid, R.	Sep. 11, 1951	Russell	62
DeBalinhard, E. C.	Oct. 9, 1951	Russell	62
Bird, A.	Dec. 11, 1951	Russell	62
English, W. J.	Jan. 10, 1951	Holland	63
Crooks, S. G.	Oct. 10, 1951	Holland	63
O'Hara, E. R.	Oct. 10, 1951	Holland	63
Mason, J. H.	Dec. 12, 1951	Holland	63
Leslie, L.	Dec. 12, 1951	Holland	63
Rutledge, R. C.	June 18, 1951	Wawanesa	67
Williams, H. L.	Jan. 2, 1951	Vermillion	68
Lowes, A. K.	Jan. 2, 1951	Vermillion	68
Jones, W. T. H.	Jan. 2, 1951	Vermillion	68
Brodie, P. J.	Jan. 2, 1951	Vermillion	68
Haddrell, J. A.	May 1, 1951	Vermillion	68
Saunderson, B.	June 5, 1951	Vermillion	68
Steen, C. B.	Sep. 5, 1951	Vermillion	68
Hughes, K. S.	Dec. 4, 1951	Vermillion	68
Jakeman, S. P.	Dec. 4, 1951	Vermillion	68
Smith, A. G.	Jan. 1, 1952	Vermillion	68
Hawkins, V.	Jan. 10, 1951	Gothic	75
Hood, H.	Oct. 10, 1951	Gothic	75
Redbourn, J. E.	Dec. 12, 1951	Gothic	75
Cosgrove, I. L.	Nov. 5, 1951	Napinka	77
Ross, W. J.	Nov. 7, 1951	Napinka	77
Bryan, S. S.	Dec. 24, 1951	Cypress	82
Way, H. E. T.	Jan. 1951	Hamiota	84
Young, L. N.	Dec. 11, 1951	Elgin	86
Ridley, C. J.	Jan. 18, 1951	Midlothian	90
Grant, R. H.	Sep. 28, 1951	Midlothian	90
Toland, N.	Feb. 8, 1951	Shoal Lake	92
Turner, G.	Dec. 13, 1951	Shoal Lake	92
Greer, A. S.	Jan. 17, 1951	King Edward	93
Roberts, T. T.	Nov. 21, 1951	King Edward	93
Reynolds, J. S.	Dec. 19, 1951	King Edward	93
Creasey, G. J.	Dec. 20, 1951	Hiram	94
Snyder, N. E.	Dec. 12, 1951	Robbie Burns	100
MacRae, J. G.	Dec. 29, 1951	Robbie Burns	100
Clegg, R. E.	Jan. 25, 1951	Miniota	102
Parker, M. A.	Nov. 7, 1951	Crescent	103
Whytock, R. D.	Feb. 8, 1951	Reston	104
Geen, A.	Oct. 11, 1951	Reston	104

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Forsyth, W.	Dec. 13, 1951	Reston	104
Weatherill, J. R.	Dec. 10, 1951	Prince Arthur	105
Creighton, W. W.	Dec. 31, 1951	Prince Arthur	105
Lewis, E. H.	Apr. 18, 1951	Swan Lake	109
Weiss, T.	Apr. 18, 1951	Swan Lake	109
Brown, J. T.	Oct. 10, 1951	Acacia	111
Craik, Wm.	Jan. 5, 1951	Ophir	112
Bembridge, J.	July 16, 1951	Ophir	112
Abramson, J.	Dec. 31, 1951	Ophir	112
Rainey, J. W.	Jan. 16, 1951	Tweed	113
Thomson, A. G.	Jan. 16, 1951	Tweed	113
Rutter, H.	Mar. 20, 1951	Tweed	113
Gibson, S. J.	May 18, 1951	Tweed	113
Howard, E.	Oct. 16, 1951	Tweed	113
Hannay, J. A.	Nov. 20, 1951	Tweed	113
Hurley, W. M.	Nov. 20, 1951	Tweed	113
Pottinger, J. L.	Dec. 18, 1951	Tweed	113
King, G. B.	Mar. 6, 1951	"The Assiniboine"	114
MacDougall, J. L.	Dec. 31, 1951	"The Assiniboine"	114
Madsen, N. T. E.	Oct. 23, 1951	Strathcona	117
Blackburn, R. S.	Feb. 22, 1951	Mound	118
McIntyre, R.	Apr. 26, 1951	Mound	118
Sutherland, Wm.	Jan. 11, 1951	Norwood	119
Mott, C.	Jan. 11, 1951	Norwood	119
Armstrong, J. A.	Dec. 31, 1951	Norwood	119
Dagg, A. E.	Dec. 31, 1951	Norwood	119
Dagg, M. K.	Dec. 31, 1951	Norwood	119
Duguid, J. P.	Dec. 31, 1951	Norwood	119
Ostrander, L. E.	Dec. 31, 1951	Norwood	119
Stubbs, V. J.	Dec. 31, 1951	Norwood	119
Taylor, J. M.	Dec. 31, 1951	Norwood	119
Till, H. D.	Dec. 31, 1951	Norwood	119
Turnbull, C. O.	Dec. 31, 1951	Norwood	119
Turner, C. L.	Dec. 31, 1951	Norwood	119
Andrew, L.	Oct. 24, 1951	Penza	120
Farrish, G. A.	Nov. 27, 1951	Penza	120
Copple, H. G.	Dec. 21, 1951	St. James	121
Siemens, H.	Apr. 6, 1951	Transcona	123
Potter, J.	Sep. 7, 1951	Transcona	123
Hutzulak, L.	Dec. 7, 1951	Transcona	123
Aitchison, H. J.	Feb. 1, 1951	The Pas	124
Cummings, J. V.	Feb. 1, 1951	The Pas	124
Greasley, N. G.	May 3, 1951	The Pas	124
Toews, E.	1949	Empire	127
Allan, J.	Dec. 10, 1951	Empire	127
Wright, C. L.	Dec. 10, 1951	Empire	127
Crane, W. C.	Oct. 29, 1951	Victory	128
Hay, J. L. G.	Jan. 10, 1951	Fort Garry	130
Melville, Wm.	Jan. 10, 1951	Fort Garry	130
Fleming, W. J.	Dec. 12, 1951	Fort Garry	130
Havelock, C. W.	Dec. 12, 1951	Fort Garry	130
Ogston, R. M.	Jan. 9, 1951	Kildonan	131

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Whittingham, H.	Nov. 13, 1951	Kildonan	131
Cameron, F. J.	Dec. 11, 1951	Kildonan	131
McClements, S. H.	Dec. 11, 1951	Kildonan	131
Baskier, L. C.	Dec. 12, 1951	McCreary	133
Ursel, J.	Jan. 3, 1951	Stony Mountain	134
Snidal, K. N.	May 2, 1951	Stony Mountain	134
Shiells, H.	Nov. 7, 1951	Stony Mountain	134
Willets, A. E.	Dec. 1950	Capitol	136
Willets, E. H.	Dec. 1950	Capitol	136
Green, Wm.	Oct. 5, 1951	Capitol	136
Eaton, J. D.	Dec. 14, 1951	Capitol	136
Hindle, F. H.	Dec. 14, 1951	Capitol	136
Hunter, W. B.	Dec. 14, 1951	Capitol	136
Lake, M. H.	Dec. 9, 1951	Lord Selkirk	137
Smith, C. J.	Jan. 8, 1951	Windsor	138
Mann, H. S.	Feb. 12, 1951	Windsor	138
Kinney, D.	Mar. 12, 1951	Windsor	138
Richardson, A. D.	Apr. 6, 1951	Beaver	139
Wilkie, G. D.	May 15, 1951	Beaver	139
Coutts, W. B.	Sep. 13, 1951	Beaver	139
Henderson, T. J.	Sep. 13, 1951	Beaver	139
Turnbull, G. E.	Sep. 13, 1951	Beaver	139
Freestone, J. R.	Dec. 31, 1951	Beaver	139
White, A. G.	Apr. 19, 1951	Meridian	140
McGown, A. J.	Oct. 18, 1951	Meridian	140
Lucas, E. J.	Nov. 15, 1951	Meridian	140
Rodger, D. G.	Nov. 15, 1951	Meridian	140
Jordan, F. H.	Dec. 20, 1951	Harmony	142
Mitchell, C. D.	May 1, 1951	Fort Osborne	144
Anderson, F. B.	Jan. 8, 1951	Sturgeon Creek	145
Ronnander, A. H.	Jan. 8, 1951	Sturgeon Creek	145
Glenham, G. J.	Nov. 2, 1951	Fidelity	146
Morrison, Jas.	Nov. 2, 1951	Fidelity	146
Percy, G. J.	Dec. 7, 1951	Fidelity	146
Matthews, F. A.	Mar. 8, 1951	Jubilee	147
Nash, F.	Dec. 13, 1951	Jubilee	147
Hales, L.	Jan. 12, 1951	Seven Oaks	148
Rhodes, F.	Oct. 2, 1951	The Dormer	151
Sawchyn, L.	Apr. 3, 1951	Flin Flon	153
Dunbar, J.	Nov. 6, 1951	Flin Flon	153
Macfadyen, A. B. L.	Dec. 4, 1951	Flin Flon	153
D'Arcy, E. S.	Dec. 14, 1951	Pine Falls	154
Harvey, V. C.	Dec. 14, 1951	Pine Falls	154
Prentice, R. J.	Feb. 20, 1951	Carman	155
Towe, H.	Nov. 20, 1951	Manitouwapa	156
Breckman, W.	Dec. 18, 1951	Manitouwapa	156
Eggertson, B.	Dec. 18, 1951	Manitouwapa	156
Erickson, J.	Dec. 18, 1951	Manitouwapa	156
Erlendson, J. A.	Dec. 18, 1951	Manitouwapa	156
Eyford, T.	Dec. 18, 1951	Manitouwapa	156
Johnson, J.	Dec. 18, 1951	Manitouwapa	156
Oliver, N.	Dec. 18, 1951	Manitouwapa	156

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
McCarthy, J. E.	Dec. 18, 1951	Manitouwapa	156
Mills, J. R.	Dec. 18, 1951	Manitouwapa	156
Cameron, N. G.	Feb. 23, 1951	Fenwick	158
Thorleifson, W. H.	Nov. 23, 1951	Fenwick	158
Robertson, C.	Dec. 28, 1951	Fenwick	158
McLean, T. W.	Dec. 7, 1951	Newdale	159
Walkey, A. E.	Dec. 6, 1951	Newdale	159
Jervis, W. D.	May 1, 1951	Ashlar	162
Bannerman, J. R.	Dec. 4, 1951	Ashlar	162
Fisher, D. J.	Dec. 4, 1951	Ashlar	162
Smithers, A.	Dec. 10, 1951	Charleswood	163

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When Elected	Grand Masters	Deputy Grand Masters	Senior Grand Wardens	Junior Grand Wardens	Grand Treasurers	Grand Secretaries	Grand Registrars	Grand Chaplains
1875	*Rev. W. C. Clarke	*Hon. W. N. Kennedy	*Jas. Henderson	*S. L. Bedson	*Col. Jno. Kennedy	*John H. Bell	*H. T. Champion	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1876	*Hon. W. N. Kennedy	*Jas. Henderson	*S. L. Bedson	*G. F. Newcomb	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*Jno. W. Harris	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1877	*G. F. Newcomb	*Jas. Henderson	*Jno. W. Harris	*E. G. Conklin	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*Col. Jno. Kennedy	*Rev. Canon S. P. Matheson
1878	*G. F. Newcomb	*Jno. W. Harris	*Simon Duffin	*F. T. Bradley	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*Col. Jno. Kennedy	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1879	*Rev. Canon S. P. Matheson	*Jno. W. Harris	*Simon Duffin	*R. McCraig	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*James Munroe	*Rev. James Flett
1880	*John H. Bell	*E. G. Conklin	*Hon. G. McMicken	*J. M. McGregor	†J. J. Johnston	*Wm. G. Scott	*D. G. Dick	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1881	*John H. Bell	*Wm. G. Scott	*D. B. Murray	*C. F. Forrest	†J. J. Johnston	*Jas. Henderson	*D. G. Dick	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1882	*John H. Bell	*Wm. G. Scott	*Alfred Pearson	*C. F. Forrest	†J. J. Johnston		*D. G. Dick	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1883	*John H. Bell	*D. B. Murray	*R. McCuaig	†John Smith	†J. J. Johnston	*Wm. G. Scott	*D. Young	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1884	*John H. Bell	*C. F. Forrest	*Rev. J. M. Wellwood	†N. J. Lindsay	†J. J. Johnston	*Wm. G. Scott	†Wm. Simpson	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1885	*C. F. Forrest	*Alfred Pearson	*Peter McGregor	†Thos. Colins	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*J. W. H. Wilson	*Rev. J. M. Wellwood
1886	*Alfred Pearson	*Peter McGregor	*J. W. H. Wilson	*J. K. Brydon	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*Wm. G. Bell	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1887	*Thomas Clark	†John A. Kerr	*James A. Ovas	*Wm. G. Bell	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*Jas. S. Greig	*Rev. Canon J.D O'Meara
1888	*Thomas Clark	*James A. Ovas	*Wm. G. Bell	R. C. Brown	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	†Joseph Daniel	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1889	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara	*Wm. G. Bell	*Thos. L. Morton	†Thos. McPherson	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*James A. Payne	Rev. Arthur W. Goulding
1890	*James A. Ovas	*Wm. G. Bell	†Thos. McPherson	*Fred L. Newman	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*R. W. Woodroofe	Rev. Arthur W. Goulding
1891	*Wm. G. Bell	*J. W. H. Wilson	*Rich'd D. Foley	*John Leslie	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*James G. Dagg	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton

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When Elected	Grand Masters	Deputy Grand Masters	Senior Grand Wardens	Junior Grand Wardens	Grand Treasurers	Grand Secretaries	Grand Registrars	Grand Chaplains
1892	*J. W. H. Wilson	*D. J. Goggin	*F. G. Lewin	*Thos. Robinson	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*Wm. A. Windatt	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton
1893	*D. J. Goggin	*Thos. Robinson	*Thos. Tweed	*Corbet Locke	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*J. H. Munson	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton
1894	*Thomas Tweed	*Charles N. Bell	*Corbet Locke	*Hugh U. Bain	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	†Rev. A. W. F. Cooper	*Rev. C. B. Pitblado
1895	*Charles N. Bell	*Corbet Locke	*John Leslie	*Geo. B. Murphy	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*John Chambers	*Rev. C. B. Pitblado
1896	*Corbet Locke	*John Leslie	*Fred L. Newman	†F. T. English	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	†C. N. Mitchell	*Rev. J. W. Matheson
1897	*Thomas Robinson	*Geo. B. Murphy	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton	†Wm. Crawford	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*J. O. Smith	*Rev. A. Chisholm
1898	*Geo. B. Murphy	*H. J. Eberts	*R. S. Thornton	*Wm. A. Windatt	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*Edgar W. Rugg	†Rev. C. R. Littler
1899	*John Leslie	*R. S. Thornton	*W. A. Windatt	*S. B. Jamieson	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	†J. A. Sutherland	†Rev. J. W. Muirhead
1900	*R. S. Thornton	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton	*Wm. Fenwick	*R. Hill Myers	*John McKechnie	*James A. Ovas	*E. A. Braithwaite	*Rev. A. B. Baird
1901	*R. S. Thornton	*R. Hill Myers	*E. A. Braithwaite	*Rev. A. Chisholm	*John McKechnie	*James A. Ovas	*James M. Suttie	*Rev. A. B. Baird
1902	*R. Hill Myers	*E. A. Braithwaite	*Rev. A. Chisholm	*Geo. W. Baker	*John McKechnie	*James A. Ovas	†Geo. H. Webster	†Rev. Geo. H. Webb
1903	*E. A. Braithwaite	*Rev. A. Chisholm	*Wm. G. Scott	*H. H. Campkin	*John McKechnie	*James A. Ovas	*R. P. Crookshank	†Rev. Geo. H. Webb
1904	*Rev. A. Chisholm	*Wm. G. Scott	*H. H. Campkin	*James Scroggie	*John McKechnie	*James A. Ovas	†O. E. S. Whiteside	Rev. John Wells
1905	*Wm. G. Scott	*H. H. Campkin	*James Scroggie	*Henry J. Pugh	*John McKechnie	*James A.Ovas	*John R. Grant	†Rev. Geo. H. Hogbie
1906	*John McKechnie	*James Scroggie	*Henry J. Pugh	*James D. Baine	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*Arthur H. Smith	*Rev. Jas. L. Gordon
1907	*James Scroggie	*Henry J. Pugh	*James D. Baine	*John Wemyss	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*Robert Magness	*Rev. Jas. L. Gordon
1908	*Henry J. Pugh	*James D. Baine	*John Wemyss	*Wm. Chambers	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*A. N. Macpherson	Rev. Thos. Neville

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1909	*James D. Baine	*Geo. W. Baker	*John Wemyss	*Wm.Chambers	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*Joseph Greenfield	*Rev. Wm. Robertson
1910	*Geo. W. Baker	*John Wemyss	*Wm. Chambers	*Ed. M.Walker	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*Jas. E. Maynard	*Rev. Wm. Robertson
1911	*John Wemyss	*Wm. Chambers	*Ed. M. Walker	*Lynds S. Vaughan	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*R. W. A. Rolph	Rev. Frederick W. Goodeve
1912	*Wm. Chambers	*Ed. M. Walker	*Lynds S. Vaughan	*Henry E. Bletcher	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*John Colwell	Rev. Frederick W. Goodeve
1913	*Ed. M. Walker	*Lynds S. Vaughan	*Henry E. Bletcher	*Percy E. Kellett	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*Robert L. Ross	Rev. Sydney D. Thomas
1914	*Lynds S. Vaughan	*William Fenwick	*Henry E. Bletcher	*Percy E. Kellett	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*J. M. Robinson	*Rev. Peter E. Scott
1915	*William Fenwick	*Henry E. Bletcher	*Percy E. Kellett	Ed. T. Greenway	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*Jno. Macwhirter	*Rev. Thos. G. Bethell
1916	*Henry E. Bletcher	*Percy E. Kellett	Ed. T. Greenway	*Alex. McIntyre	*James G. Dagg	*James A. Ovas	C. F. Hasselfield	*Rev. James S. Miller
1917	*Percy E. Kellett	Ed. T. Greenway	*Alex. McIntyre	Albert J. Hatcher	*James G. Dagg	*James A. Ovas	*Jno. J. Jackson	*Rev. Thos. G. Bethell
1918	Ed. T. Greenway	*Alex. McIntyre	Albert J. Hatcher	*Geo. N. Jackson	*James G. Dagg	*James A. Ovas		*Rev. Thos. G. Bethell
1919	*Alex. McIntyre	Albert J. Hatcher	*Geo. N. Jackson	*Rev. A. B. Baird	Wm. J. Major	*James A. Ovas		Rev. James W. Anderson
1920	Albert J. Hatcher	*Geo. N. Jackson	*Rev. A. B. Baird	Wm. J. Major	*Jabez Miller	*James A. Ovas		*Rev. Chas. E. Somerset
1921	*Geo. N. Jackson	*Rev. A. B. Baird	Wm. J. Major	Jas. S. MacEwing	*Jabez Miller	*James A. Ovas		*Rev. Chas. E. Somerset
1922	*Rev. A. B. Baird	Wm. J. Major	Jas. S. MacEwing	A. L. Crossin	*Jabez Miller	*James A. Ovas		*Rev. Chas. E. Somerset
1923	Wm. J. Major	Jas. S. MacEwing	Albert L. Crossin	*J. C. Walker Reid	*Jabez Miller	*James A. Ovas		†Rev. Wm. C. Cunningham
1924	Jas. S. MacEwing	Albert L. Crossin	*J. C. Walker Reid	*Jabez Miller	*James Mackie	*James A. Ovas		†Rev. Wm. C. Cunningham
1925	Albert L. Crossin	*J. C. Walker Reid	*Jabez Miller	*Murdo A. Whimster	*James Mackie	*James A. Ovas		*Rev. Andrew T. Norquay

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1926	*J. C. Walker Reid	*Jabez Miller	*Murdo A. Whimster	William Douglas	*James Mackie	*James A. Ovas		*Rev. Andrew T. Norquay
1927	*Jabez Miller	*Murdo A. Whimster	William Douglas	*George Hunter	*James Mackie	*James A. Ovas		*Rev. George W. Findlay
1928	*Murdo A. Whimster	William Douglas	*George Hunter	Norman J. Black	*Wm. M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas		*Rev. George W. Findlay
1929	William Douglas	*George Hunter	Norman J. Black	David S. Woods	*Wm. M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas		*Rev. George W. Findlay
1930	*George Hunter	Norman J. Black	David S. Woods	*James Mackie	*Wm. M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas		Rev. G. A. Woodside
1931	Norman J. Black	David S. Woods	*James Mackie	*Henry L. Adolph	*Wm. M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas		Rev. G. A. Woodside
1932	David S. Woods	*James Mackie	*Henry L. Adolph	Royal Burritt	*Alex Burgess	*James A. Ovas		Rt. Rev. W. W. H. Thomas
1933	*James Mackie	*Henry L. Adolph	Royal Burritt	*Harry Woods	*Alex. Burgess	*James A. Ovas		Rt. Rev. W. W. H. Thomas
1934	*Henry L. Adolph	Royal Buritt	*Harry Woods	*John T. Boyd	*Alex. Burgess	*James A. Ovas		†Rev. George R. Calvert
1935	Royal Burritt	*Harry Woods	*John T. Boyd	Robert Hawkins	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		†Dean George R. Calvert
1936	*Harry Woods	*John T. Boyd	Robert Hawkins	W. D. Lawrence	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		Rev. Thomas Neville
1937	*John T. Boyd	Robert Hawkins	W. D. Lawrence	*J. J. Henderson	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		*Rev. Harry Sherstone
1938	Robert Hawkins	W. D. Lawrence	*J. J. Henderson	†Dean G. R. Calvert	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		*Rev. Harry Sherstone
1939	W. D. Lawrence	*J. J. Henderson	†Dean G. R. Calvert	S. H. Fahrni	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		*Rev. P. T. Pilkey
1940	*J. J. Henderson	†Dean G. R. Calvert	S. H. Fahrni	*Ben C. Parker	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		*Rev. P. T. Pilkey
1941	†Dean G. R. Calvert	S. H. Fahrni	*Ben. C. Parker	Sam Burland	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		*Rev. P. T. Pilkey
1942	S. H. Fahrni	*Ben. C. Parker	Sam Burland	*Dr. P. T. Pilkey	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		*Rev. J. L. McInnis

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1943	*Ben C. Parker	Sam Burland	*Dr. P. T. Pilkey	M. S. Donovan	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		*Rev. J. L. McInnis
1944	Sam. Burland	*Dr. P. T. Pilkey	M. S. Donovan	H. B. Donnelly	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		Rev. H. B. Wallace
1945	*Dr. P. T. Pilkey	M. S. Donovan	H. B. Donnelly	W. C. McDonald	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		Rev. H. B. Wallace
1946	M. S. Donovan	H. B. Donnelly	W. C. McDonald	Harry Coddington	*Alex. Burgess	*Dr. P. T. Pilkey		†Rev. E. A. Syms
1947	H. B. Donnelly	W. C. McDonald	Harry Coddington	Chas. E. Cole	*Alex. Burgess	*Dr. P. T. Pilkey		†Rev. E. A. Syms
1948	W. C. McDonald	Harry Coddington	Chas. E. Cole	*Hugh A. Innes	W. Percy White	*Dr. P. T. Pilkey		Rev. R. S. Montgomery
1949	Harry Coddington	Chas. E. Cole	*Hugh A. Innes	G. A. McMorran	W. Percy White	*Dr. P. T. Pilkey		Rev. R. S. Montgomery
1950	Chas. E. Cole	F. H. Blythe	G. A. McMorran	H. H. Gray	W. Percy White	Harry Coddington		Rev. Canon Fredk. Hughes
1951	F. H. Blythe	G. A. McMorran	H. H. Gray	J. R. C. Evans	W. Percy White	Harry Coddington		Rev. Canon Fredk. Hughes
1952	G. A. McMorran	H. H. Gray	J. R. C. Evans	R. E. Emmett	W. Percy White	T. C. Jackson		Rev. H. L. Newton

*Dead †Removed from Jurisdiction

LODGE DIRECTORY

No.	Name of Lodge	P.O. Address	Master	Secretary	Time of Regular Meeting
1	Prince Rupert's	Winnipeg	Geo. H. Warren	W. K. Mulock	Third Tuesday
2	Lisgar	Selkirk	Geo. Goodwin	L. C. Maxwell	Third Tuesday
A — 3	Ancient Landmark	Winnipeg	Roy O. Dunsmore	W. F. Hutton	Third Monday
A — 4	St. John's	Winnipeg	C. E. Mansell	T. L. Dodsworth	First Wednesday
6	Emerson	Emerson	C. C. Thomson	K. C. R. Coulter	Third Thursday
7	Assiniboine	Portage la Prairie	W. K. Stewart	R. A. Price	Third Monday
8	King Solomon	Morris	L. A. Taylor	O. B. Cossitt	Second Tuesday
10	Northern Light	Winnipeg	C. S. Williams	Robt. Collier	Third Thursday
A — 11	Gladstone	Gladstone	S. C. Howard	Clement Wallis	Second Monday
12	Stonewall	Stonewall	E. B. Good	M. R. Good	First Thursday
13	Morden	Morden	W. H. Chapman	Wm. Godfrey	Third Thursday
14	Prince of Wales	Minnedosa	H. J. Moad	E. Kitchingman	Second Thursday
15	Corinthian	Rapid City	J. R. Stratford	J. G. Shand	First Tuesday
19	Brandon	Brandon	R. C. Ghidoni	A. G. Warr	Second Tuesday
A — 24	Neepawa	Neepawa	Wm. K. Clyde	A. Clark	Second Tuesday
25	Ionic	Winnipeg	Robt. Wood	E. L. Hardie	First Monday
27	Glenwood	Souris	J. R. Adair	H. A. Croll	Fourth Friday
29	Carberry	Carberry	S. M. McDonald	C. Barlow	Tuesday on or before full moon
30	Manitou	Manitou	C. L. Sanders	H. H. Black	First Monday
36	Doric	Boissevain	A. H. Kinsey	T. E. Fleming	Fourth Tuesday
39	Birtle	Birtle	D. L. Spencer	W. J. Brown	Third Monday
40	Deloraine	Deloraine	G. E. Steward	J. R. Colville	Third Wednesday
43	Lebanon	Virden	A. A. Megaffin	Clarence Moore	First Tuesday
44	Oak Lake	Oak Lake	C. O. Motheral	A. L. Burch	Second Thursday
A — 48	Glenboro	Glenboro	G. M. Smith	M. B. Macdonell	Second Tuesday
49	Temple	MacGregor	A. J. Groves	H. I. Collins	Third Tuesday
50	Killarney	Killarney	J. A. Wood	J. C. Bate	Third Monday
51	Treherne	Treherne	J. L. Stanton	L. E. Staples	Friday on or before full moon
52	Hartney	Hartney	W. P. Cowan	J. L. Crowe	First Tuesday
54	Oriental	Melita	J. B. Barker	J. G. Cobb	Fourth Tuesday
55	East Star	Gretna	H. F. Friesen	R. K. Shields	First Thursday
62	Russell	Russell	C. C. Foster	C. E. Whitmer	Second Tuesday
63	Holland	Holland	G. G. Frame	Jas. Murray	Second Wednesday
64	Composite	Alexander	Will O. McKay	L. W. Skinner	Third Thursday
A — 67	Wawanesa	Wawanesa	W. J. Johnston	H. J. Williams	Third Monday
68	Vermillion	Dauphin	F. E. Easterbrook	Geo. H. Scott	First Tuesday
70	Shiloh	Roland	R. Roy Bartley	V. H. Hugo	Second Thursday
71	Crystal	Crystal City	J. H. Treble	R. S. McGill	Second Tuesday

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No.	Name of Lodge	P.O. Address	Master	Secretary	Time of Regular Meeting
74	Elkhorn	Elkhorn	Jacob Bajus	F. C. Norris	Second Monday
75	Gothic	Austin	Frank Ham	Norman Cuming	Second Wednesday
77	Napinka	Napinka	F. L. Lindbloom	J. S. Holland	First Thursday
A — 82	Cypress	Cypress River	A. J. Johnston	R. I. Connon	Fourth Monday
84	Hamiota	Hamiota	E. M. Brown	A. Cummings	Fourth Tuesday
86	Elgin	Elgin	T. E. Reid	E. J. Smillie	Second Tuesday
87	Rathwell	Rathwell	T. D. Huggart	E. B. Litz	First Tuesday
90	Midlothian	Miami	T. T. Bartley	J. E. Crozier	Third Monday
A — 92	Shoal Lake	Shoal Lake	C. W. Snyder	A. Love	Second Thursday
93	King Edward	Winnipeg	Gus. Ulrich	S. A. Restall	Third Wednesday
94	Hiram	Grandview	J. N. Belton	D. N. McIntyre	Third Thursday
100	Robbie Burns	Gilbert Plains	Wm. Lally	A. W. Knott	Second Wednesday
101	Binscarth	Binscarth	J. S. Murray	M. E. Clegg	Third Monday
102	Miniota	Miniota	D. M. Deans	W. H. Yarwood	Fourth Thursday
103	Crescent	Elm Creek	S. W. Woods	J. R. Ivey	First Wednesday
104	Reston	Reston	F. R. Manning	John Cuthill	Second Thursday
105	Prince Arthur	Swan River	G. L. Grayson	E. L. Cottingham	First Thursday
106	Strathclair	Strathclair	H. M. Mayhew	H. W. Clark	Third Tuesday
107	Lansdowne	Griswold	D. B. McMillan	M. R. Sutherland	Fourth Wednesday
108	Union	Brookdale	Wm. Dickson	J. A. Mills	First Thursday
A —109	Swan Lake	Swan Lake	H. R. Horn	G. O. Couch	Third Wednesday
110	Kilwinning	Minto	Stanley Noble	T. Nesbitt	Second Monday
111	Acacia	Winnipeg	Robt. Holms	Wm. Dewar	Second Wednesday
112	Ophir	Beausejour	Oscar Russell	J. H. Armstrong	Third Monday
113	Tweed	Brandon	J. M. Donovan	H. S. Perdue	Third Tuesday
114	"The Assiniboine"	Winnipeg	J. A. Odgen	O. E. MacQuoid	First Tuesday
115	Rivers	Rivers	W. C. White	R. G. Sinclair	Last Monday
116	St. Andrew's	Wellwood	S. L. Reidle	G. W. Wells	First Monday
117	Strathcona	Belmont	J. A. McPhail	R. D. Saunders	Fourth Tuesday
118	Mound	Pilot Mound	G. E. Cohoe	R. E. Hicks	Fourth Thursday
119	Norwood	Norwood	J. C. MacDonald	W. M. Summers	Second Thursday
120	Penza	Dominion City	M. H. Smith	A. G. Froom	Fourth Tuesday
121	St. James	St. James	S. C. Bagley	E. S. Reeves	Second Wednesday
122	Roblin	Roblin	W. J. Ward	H. Maslove	Second Monday
123	Transcona	Transcona	Jas. Bligh	F. G. Turner	First Friday
124	The Pas	The Pas	A. L. Jacobs	Wm. Howie	First Thursday
125	Patricia	Sperling	D. R. Thom	J. J. Tjaden	First Wednesday
126	Favel	Minitonas	J. F. Lowdon	G. D. Bertram	First Tuesday

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127	Empire	Winnipeg	D. B. Hanna	A. D. Adamson	Second Monday
128	Victory	Benito	M. J. Dunall	H. S. Tax	Third Wednesday
130	Fort Garry	Winnipeg	A. G. Sim	W. D. G. Runions	Second Wednesday
131	Kildonan	East Kildonan	M. C. Brown	A. H. Brotheridge	Second Tuesday
132	Sprague	Sprague	Joseph Emes	D. L. Thomson	First Wednesday
133	McCreary	McCreary	Owen Hanson	T. E. Squire	Second Wednesday
134	Stony Mountain	Stony Mountain	Douglas Scott	Thos. Hartley	First Wednesday
136	Capitol	Winnipeg	A. P. Jones	W. J. Law	First Friday
137	Lord Selkirk	Winnipeg	A. L. Woods	G. R. Mackay	Second Wednesday
138	Windsor	St. Vital	G. S. Marshall	J. B. McClure	Second Monday
139	Beaver	Winnipeg	Hugh A. Roberts	F. H. Herbert	Second Thursday
140	Meridian	Winnipeg	Chas. Campbell	A. C. Cabel	Third Thursday
141	Tuscan	Winnipeg	Chas. G. Haysom	Thos. Crossley	Second Friday
142	Harmony	Cardale	W. G. Robbins	Ed. Corbett	Third Thursday
143	Mt. Sinai	Winnipeg	Archie Hecht	J. M. Knelman	Fourth Thursday
A —144	Fort Osborne	Winnipeg	D. W. Stewart	T. J. Booth	First Tuesday
145	Sturgeon Creek	Sturgeon Creek	E. H. Houston	L. D. Bester	First Monday
146	Fidelity	Winnipeg	M. A. Schell	Wm. Wilson	First Friday
147	Jubilee	Bowsman	Lee G. Cook	H. J. Jenkins	Second Thursday
148	Seven Oaks	West Kildonan	Matthew Andrew	A. C. Pritchard	Second Friday
150	Cartwright	Cartwright	G. S. Fulford	W. H. Newton	Third Tuesday
151	The Dormer	East Kildonan	Reginald Clare	R. W. Ross	First Tuesday
152	Foxwarren	Foxwarren	Walter E. Hall	V. G. Hillcox	First Wednesday
153	Flin Flon	Flin Flon	Robt. Davison	W. A. Young	First Tuesday
154	Pine Falls	Pine Falls	Reginald Towler	B. H. Campbell	Second Friday
155	Carman	Carman	G. A. Greenaway	W. M. Duncan	Third Tuesday
156	Manitouwapa	Moosehorn	K. N. Snidal	F. O'Connell	Third Tuesday
157	Rice Lake	Bissett	H. Clark	G. H. Lucas	First Friday
158	Fenwick	Brandon	A. W. Olson	H. M. Kerr	Fourth Friday
159	Newdale	Newdale	C. R. Bradley	W. P. Everitt	First Thursday
160	Starbuck	Starbuck	H. W. Livingstone	I. J. Velde	Fourth Thursday
161	Fort Prince of Wales	Churchill	A. McKenzie	R. S. Henderson	First Wednesday
162	Ashlar	Norwood	V. J. Stubbs	G. E. Winter	First Tuesday
163	Charleswood	Charleswood	J. S. Reynolds	W. J. Eyers	Second Monday
U.D.	Harry Woods	Lundar	A. V. Olsen	G. J. Breckman	Fourth Tuesday
U.D.	Friendship	Fort Garry	G. W. Rattray	H. C. Wolfe	First Thursday
U.D.	Woodworth	Kenton	C. P. Brown	J. D. Sills	Second Wednesday

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1	Prince Rupert's	18	23	24	4	0	1	0	0	8	412	....	425
2	Lisgar	14	18	14	1	2	2	0	0	4	173	....	184
3	Ancient Landmark	10	11	7	1	2	6	4	0	10	378	....	371
4	St. John's	13	13	29	4	1	5	8	0	13	648	—20	620
6	Emerson	8	8	7	0	0	6	0	0	0	70	....	72
7	Assiniboine	8	8	8	6	0	1	1	0	4	292	....	300
8	King Solomon	9	10	7	1	0	0	0	0	2	67	....	75
10	Northern Light	15	12	14	2	0	2	1	0	8	341	....	347
11	Gladstone	3	2	2	2	1	1	0	0	2	87	....	90
12	Stonewall	5	5	6	1	0	6	0	0	2	130	....	128
13	Morden	1	1	3	0	0	3	1	0	1	95	....	91
14	Prince of Wales	6	5	3	3	0	2	0	0	3	117	....	121
15	Corinthian	2	2	2	0	2	1	0	0	1	69	....	71
19	Brandon	12	13	10	3	0	1	2	0	8	246	....	250
24	Neepawa	5	4	4	0	0	1	0	0	7	171	....	168
25	Ionic	25	25	40	0	2	5	9	0	11	634	....	636
27	Glenwood	8	4	4	0	0	5	0	0	2	167	....	168
29	Carberry	2	2	2	0	1	0	5	0	3	73	....	68
30	Manitou	3	3	3	2	0	1	0	0	0	67	....	71
36	Doric	7	7	5	0	0	2	0	0	0	113	....	118
39	Birtle	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	60	....	59
40	Deloraine	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	93	....	93
43	Lebanon	2	2	2	1	0	1	1	0	4	100	....	97
44	Oak Lake	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	40	....	40
48	Glenboro	2	2	2	1	0	3	3	0	1	66	....	62
49	Temple	1	2	1	0	0	2	0	0	3	83	....	79
50	Killarney	4	4	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	74	....	79
51	Treherne	4	6	6	1	0	1	1	0	0	67	....	70
52	Hartney	1	1	1	2	0	2	0	0	0	103	....	104
54	Oriental	2	1	0	1	2	2	0	0	0	74	....	77

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55	East Star	3	3	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	49	....	51
62	Russell	4	4	4	2	2	4	0	0	1	72	....	75
63	Holland	4	4	2	0	0	5	2	0	1	70	....	66
64	Composite	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	62	....	59
67	Wawanesa	0	1	3	0	0	1	2	0	1	71	....	67
68	Vermillion	13	12	12	6	2	10	4	1	4	191	....	193
70	Shiloh	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	76	....	78
71	Crystal	5	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	80	....	85
74	Elkhorn	3	2	2	0	0	0	2	0	2	51	....	50
75	Gothic	2	2	1	0	0	3	1	0	0	64	....	62
77	Napinka	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	66	....	62
82	Cypress	1	3	3	0	2	1	3	0	1	47	....	45
84	Hamiota	1	1	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	70	....	72
86	Elgin	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	69	....	67
87	Rathwell	4	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	23	....	28
90	Midlothian	2	2	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	77	....	75
92	Shoal Lake	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	79	+1	79
93	King Edward	7	6	6	0	1	3	1	0	2	309	....	311
94	Hiram	2	1	2	1	0	1	1	0	2	93	....	92
100	Robbie Burns	1	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	1	35	....	34
101	Binscarth	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	37	....	38
102	Miniota	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	2	57	....	54
103	Crescent	14	8	14	0	0	1	0	0	0	72	....	85
104	Reston	2	2	0	2	0	3	0	0	2	181	....	180
105	Prince Arthur	5	5	5	1	0	2	5	0	1	103	....	101
106	Strathclair	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	55	....	56
107	Lansdowne	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	52	....	53
108	Union	4	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	53	....	54
109	Swan Lake	1	1	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	46	....	46
110	Kilwinning	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	53	....	53

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111	Acacia	20	16	21	2	1	1	1	0	2	293	......	312
112	Ophir	6	6	9	1	2	3	4	0	1	86	......	87
113	Tweed	14	16	19	1	0	8	1	0	5	267	......	268
114	"The Assiniboine"	23	10	7	3	1	2	4	0	8	356	......	369
115	Rivers	5	4	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	93	......	97
116	St. Andrew's	3	3	3	0	0	0	1	0	1	40	......	41
117	Strathcona	4	3	3	1	0	1	0	0	1	61	......	64
118	Mound	1	1	0	2	1	2	2	0	1	83	......	82
119	Norwood	19	24	24	4	1	12	4	0	3	292	......	297
120	Penza	6	6	4	0	1	2	0	0	2	44	......	47
121	St. James	15	15	23	2	0	1	3	0	0	261	......	274
122	Roblin	4	4	3	0	0	0	1	0	2	68	......	69
123	Transcona	1	5	5	3	0	3	0	0	6	174	......	169
124	The Pas	5	8	8	0	1	3	0	0	3	136	......	136
125	Patricia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	51	......	51
126	Favel	3	3	3	0	0	0	7	0	1	58	......	53
127	Empire	16	16	16	0	2	3	1	0	3	195	......	206
128	Victory	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	54	......	53
130	Fort Garry	23	21	24	3	1	4	0	0	2	291	......	312
131	Kildonan	6	7	4	1	0	4	0	0	2	134	......	135
132	Sprague	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	......	33
133	McCreary	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	56	......	54
134	Stony Mountain	3	3	3	1	0	3	0	0	0	74	......	75
136	Capitol	21	15	10	4	0	6	2	0	3	280	......	294
137	Lord Selkirk	12	12	13	2	1	1	1	0	2	128	......	139
138	Windsor	15	8	8	2	0	3	1	0	1	197	......	209
139	Beaver	18	18	17	0	2	6	3	0	1	291	......	301
140	Meridian	20	21	21	3	1	4	3	0	5	366	......	378
141	Tuscan	7	6	6	0	0	0	1	0	3	104	......	107
142	Harmony	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	1	37	......	37

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143	Mt. Sinai	15	15	27	1	0	0	0	0	5	314	....	325
144	Fort Osborne	14	15	15	1	1	1	2	0	1	208	....	220
145	Sturgeon Creek	11	11	11	5	0	2	1	0	0	147	....	160
146	Fidelity	22	25	25	2	0	3	2	0	1	248	....	266
147	Jubilee	1	2	0	0	0	2	3	0	1	67	....	62
148	Seven Oaks	8	9	9	0	0	1	0	0	0	121	+1	129
150	Cartwright	1	3	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	36	....	38
151	The Dormer	8	8	9	1	0	1	0	0	0	103	....	111
152	Foxwarren	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	37	....	37
153	Flin Flon	11	8	7	3	0	3	0	0	1	151	....	161
154	Pine Falls	4	6	5	1	0	2	0	0	2	74	....	75
155	Carman	2	0	0	2	1	1	1	0	2	83	....	84
156	Manitouwapa	5	6	6	0	0	10	0	0	2	73	....	66
157	Rice Lake	1	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	48	....	48
158	Fenwick	10	12	17	10	0	3	1	0	0	103	....	119
159	Newdale	5	7	5	1	0	2	0	0	0	26	....	30
160	Starbuck	15	16	27	1	0	0	0	0	1	34	....	49
161	Fort Prince of Wales	20	16	13	6	0	0	0	0	0	39	....	65
162	Ashlar	12	12	12	7	0	3	0	0	0	24	....	40
163	Charleswood	17	15	15	3	0	1	0	0	0	27	....	46
	Totals	729	704	750	135	45	222	112	1	210	14039	−18	14,385

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE FIRST MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1951.

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver-Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
1	Prince Rupert's	9	9	18	135	290	80	21	186.00	396.06	524.88	828.60	18,930.19	2,300.00	Active	1	Rent
3	Ancient Landmark	9	7	16	86	285	77	26	300.00	444.65	10.00	882.82	32,552.05	2,900.00	Active	1	Rent
4	St. John's	9	10	19	155	465	130	17	170.00	260.00	1,813.03	797.00	36,619.25	2,750.00	Active	1	Rent
10	Northern Light	9	5	14	85	262	80	26	190.00	120.00	1,779.53	208.00	14,262.53	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
25	Ionic	10	9	19	169	467	120	45	834.50	249.01	3,519.58	728.50	61,308.70	2,500.00	Active	1	Rent
93	King Edward	9	5	14	73	238	76	40	438.80	571.22	536.09	361.75	8,688.14	1,600.00	Active	1	Rent
111	Acacia	9	9	18	54	258	88	35	343,50	430.00	3,357.87	1,183.00	15,430.66	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
114	"The Assiniboine"	10	6	16	86	283	78	4	39.00	163.10	2,988.53	....	18,989.53	1,500.00	Active	1	Rent
119	Norwood	9	16	25	43	254	80	14	152.00	32.00	539.61	1,397.00	11,751.76	8,300.00	Active	1	Own
121	St. James	9	10	19	42	232	64	22	215.00	137.50	844.37	878.85	13,260.582	3,000.00	Active	1	Rent
127	Empire	9	11	20	33	174	70	15	166.00	364,39	1,665.44	946.41	9,570.79	6,000.00	Active	1	Own
162	Ashlar	9	10	19	....	40	23.5	....	....	....	900.87	438.69	1,170.18	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE SECOND MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1951.

7	Assiniboine	10	10	20	108	192	70	92	720.00	95.21	980.55	....	15,857.03	34,000.00	Active	1	Own
11	Gladstone	12	3	15	25	65	24	13	249.00	122.73	40.12	100.00	3,890.12	3,000.00	Active	1	Own
24	Neepawa	10	5	15	51	117	43	10	109.50	120.00	587.47	2,119.00	3,967.87	1,500.00	Active	1	Rent
29	Carberry	11	1	12	29	38	29	6	48.00	44.24	489.81	....	4,119.81	3,000.00	Active	2	Own
49	Temple	12	....	12	25	54	30	49	343.00	43.00	1,206.70	85.00	8,521.00	3,500.00	Active	1	Own
75	Gothic	11	....	11	30	32	15	13	130.00	5.03	54.42	....	2,254.42	1,500.00	Active	2	Own
108	Union	10	1	11	20	33	14	9	72.00	....	515.00	....	2,450.00	3,000.00	Active	1	Own
116	St. Andrew's	10	3	13	24	17	16	14	108.00	38.50	98.06	800.00	3,598.00	5,000.00	Active	1	Own
133	McCreary	12	1	13	17	37	15	11	170.00	....	163.00	265.48	4,467.82	4,400.00	Active	1	Own

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE THIRD MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1951.

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
48	Glenboro	10	4	14	----	----	25	3	21.00	52.00	473.73	43.50	780.23	350.00	Active	1	Rent
51	Treherne	10	4	14	23	47	----	7	42.00	....	114.88	2,480.00	5,334.88	5,000.00	Active	1	Own
63	Holland	10	1	11	26	38	----	1	12.00	35.00	551.88	268.41	1,283.47	400.00	Active	1	Rent
67	Wawanesa	10	1	11	20	47	----	6	35.00	....	83.41	....	933.41	250.00	Active	1	Rent
82	Cypress	9	3	12	----	----	----	8	56.00	20.00	475.41	....	1,075.41	600.00	Active	1	Rent
87	Rathwell	12	----	12	9	19	----	5	40.00	....	686.53	....	979.68	300.00	Active	1	Rent
103	Crescent	10	6	16	----	----	----	3	50.00	110.30	658.03	....	2,633.03	800.00	Active	1	Rent
109	Swan Lake	8	----	8	9	37	----	7	78.00	12.00	52.65	....	2,752.65	2,000.00	Active	1	Own
117	Strathcona	11	3	14	23	41	----	6	57.50	....	622.40	....	2,622.40	500.00	Active	1	Rent
160	Starbuck	11	4	15	4	45	----	----	....	....	1,581.98	....	2,231.98	....	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE FOURTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1951.

13	Morden	10	----	10	49	42	20	13	98.50	25.00	1,565.00	....	2,310.00	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
30	Manitou	10	----	10	27	44	18	----	....	1,550.00	1,508.89	....	1,508.89	450.00	Active	1	Rent
36	Doric	11	1	12	26	92	35	13	119.00	37.00	1,088.35	2,321.50	3,366.85	10,000.00	Active	1	Own
50	Killarney	12	----	12	24	55	17	----	....	....	2,703.89	....	2,953.89	250.00	Active	1	Rent
71	Crystal	12	1	13	33	52	----	10	82.00	132.35	1,195.84	....	1,395.84	200.00	Active	1	Rent
118	Mound	11	----	11	21	61	21	14	133.00	27.00	618.62	300.00	7,618.62	3,100.00	Active	1	Own
150	Cartwright	8	1	9	19	18	15	11	65.00	60.61	773.10	....	1,073.10	....	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE FIFTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1951.

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
14	Prince of Wales	10	5	15	37	84	28	10	128.00	100.00	144.30	....	7,272.30	5,500.00	Active	1	Own
15	Corinthian	11	2	13	6	65	32	5	34.00	25.00	91.74	58.75	5,262.99	3,600.00	Active	1	Own
39	Birtle	11	1	12	22	37	17	6	40.00	67.55	51.41	60.00	5,111.49	5,000.00	Active	1	Own
62	Russell	10	2	12	21	54	25	2	15.00	21.00	116.41	1,500.00	5,316.41	5,200.00	Active	1	Own
84	Hamiota	10	2	12	9	63	30	7	66.00	55.62	720.89	....	970.89	250.00	Active	1	Rent
92	Shoal Lake	12	....	12	47	32	11	13	108.00	....	167.20	....	2,392.44	2,500.00	Active	1	Own
101	Binscarth	9	....	9	13	25	15	8	160.00	15.15	26.46	....	726.46	700.00	Active	1	Rent
102	Miniota	10	....	10	30	24	15	4	20.00	21.54	229.13	....	4,554.13	3,625.00	Active	1	Own
106	Strathclair	12	2	14	19	37	17	2	22.00	96.50	643.68	45.35	3,499.84	2,000.00	Active	1	Own
115	Rivers	10	2	12	36	61	25	12	127.75	4.75	1,091.48	....	6,866.48	5,500.00	Active	1	Own
142	Harmony	11	1	12	14	23	12	4	31.50	12.20	307.35	....	807.35	500.00	Active	1	Rent
152	Foxwarren	11	....	11	17	20	12	....	....	30.15	312.61	....	1,722.61	1,500.00	Active	1	Own
159	Newdale	12	....	12	4	26	20	....	....	130.26	216.99	28.10	688.89	500.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE SIXTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1951.

27	Glenwood	10	2	13	76	92	44	14	131.00	55.00	2,017.00	....	14,817.00	12,500.00	Active	1	Own
40	Deloraine	12	1	13	28	65	18	25	176.00	840.00	591.07	2,779.50	20,860.07	11,000.00	Active	1	Own
52	Hartney	12	3	15	53	51	30	9	84.00	47.95	805.66	....	1,805.66	800.00	Active	1	Rent
54	Oriental	12	1	13	23	54	24	7	72.00	30.00	1,044.94	230.20	3,081.94	600.00	Active	1	Rent
77	Napinka	10	4	14	20	42	18	12	75.00	10.00	217.73	....	917.73	150.00	Active	1	Rent
86	Elgin	10	1	11	12	55	15	9	63.00	20.00	514.87	....	914.87	....	Active	1	Rent
102	Reston	12	4	16	48	137	40	41	328.00	288.88	718.42	22.76	14,102.42	11,500.00	Active	1	Own
110	Kilwinning	12	2	14	25	27	20	16	96.00	31.50	87.87	2,873.00	2,879.87	2,600.00	Active	1	Own

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE SEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1951.

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver-Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
19	Brandon	10	13	23	65	185	36	50	496.00	311.33	4,171.45	....	11,039.46	....	Active	1	Rent
43	Lebanon	10	....	10	54	43	25	9	85.00	66.00	2,655.63	60.00	3,045.63	450.00	Active	1	Rent
44	Oak Lake	10	....	10	19	21	17	5	40.00	85.00	101.66	....	2,851.66	1,900.00	Active	1	Own
64	Composite	10	4	14	22	37	29	....	....	30.00	1,043.12	....	2,631.46	1,400.00	Active	1	Own
74	Elkhorn	11	3	14	23	27	17	25	277.50	606.50	105.35	1,590.00	1,418.05	4,000.00	Active	1	Own
107	Lansdowne	10	1	11	22	31	15	10	105.00	25.00	180.00	....	3,680.00	1,800.00	Active	1	Own
113	Tweed	10	11	21	90	178	39	57	459.50	515.00	9,160.53	794.10	20,551.93	....	Active	1	Rent
158	Fenwick	10	11	21	21	98	28	....	....	100.45	1,395.58	396.00	1,555.15	500.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE EIGHTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1951.

6	King Solomon	12	6	18	29	43	24	6	182.00	123.41	1,732.31	1,156.95	17,288.80	8,700.00	Active	1	Own
8	Emerson	12	10	22	25	50	25	5	40.00	25.00	240.00	....	21,790.00	16,500.00	Active	1	Own
55	East Star	12	....	12	19	32	12	4	38.00	5.00	216.87	46.00	2,216.87	2,000.00	Active	1	Own
70	Shiloh	10	2	12	28	50	30	....	33.00	499.25	212.27	291.75	11,389.27	7,000.00	Active	1	Own
90	Midlothian	10	1	11	25	50	16	....	56.00	360.00	684.86	187.50	1,982.99	200.00	Active	1	Rent
120	Penza	11	4	15	13	34	22	....	....	137.35	861.51	....	2,861.51	1,500.00	Active	1	Own
125	Patricia	12	1	13	21	30	23	....	....	....	1,084.32	....	2,739.32	1,300.00	Active	1	Rent
132	Sprague	11	....	11	16	17	9	4	70.00	10.00	323.87	....	923.87	....	Active	1	Rent
155	Carman	10	2	12	18	66	38	....	81.50	74.00	491.48	....	1,424.64	1,000.00	Active	2	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE NINTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1951.

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
68	Vermillion	11	2	13	71	122	....	34	451.85	240.00	477.92	4,500.00	10,371.25	....	Active	1	Own
94	Hiram	12	3	15	42	50	26	12	62.00	173.03	196.13	77.50	3,018.63	2,500.00	Active	1	Own
100	Robbie Burns	9	1	10	15	19	....	3	28.00	....	92.44	....	842.44	200.00	Active	1	Rent
105	Prince Arthur	12	5	17	36	65	26	17	170.00	90.55	927.71	85.00	2,342.71	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
122	Roblin	12	1	13	17	51	22	2	40.00	....	221.69	....	4,098.36	1,800.00	Active	1	Own
126	Favel	10	3	13	28	25	23	12	144.00	24.65	825.16	....	1,325.16	500.00	Active	2	Rent
128	Victory	10	1	11	22	31	....	7	70.00	100.00	322.21	....	1,272.21	300.00	Active	1	Rent
147	Jubilee	8	2	10	26	36	17	10	147.00	86.00	219.42	....	669.42	300.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE TENTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1951.

2	Lisgar	10	9	19	39	142	49	7	714.50	372.00	2,023.28	....	17,023.28	12,000.00	Active	1	Own
12	Stonewall	12	5	17	38	90	40	9	72.00	762.75	95.46	....	4,195.46	5,700.00	Active	1	Own
112	Ophir	10	3	13	10	77	17	13	110.00	25.00	648.72	....	12,148.72	11,000.00	Active	1	Own
123	Transcona	9	9	18	30	139	30	23	202.50	157.16	1,670.64	....	5,512.37	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
131	Kildonan	9	7	16	27	108	44	14	138.00	115.40	734.28	105.25	7,092.91	500.00	Active	1	Rent
134	Stony Mountain	11	3	14	13	62	21	6	60.00	25.00	588.36	....	3,488.36	2,400.00	Active	1	Own
148	Seven Oaks	9	6	15	19	110	50	11	105.00	261.18	796.93	*218.61	1,500.00	8,852.93	Active	1	Rent
151	The Dormer	9	7	16	6	105	43	3	36.00	207.00	1,049.42	216.00	5,720.69	500.00	Active	1	Rent
154	Pine Falls	10	4	14	24	51	39	10	63.00	69.00	937.00	9.00	3,952.36	400.00	Active	1	Rent
156	Manitouwapa	9	2	11	17	49	29	4	30.00	10.00	737.72	....	2,138.72	500.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE TWELFTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1951.

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
130	Fort Garry	9	9	18	62	250	80	35	322.00	231.25	342.00	1,074.94	6,967.81	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
136	Capitol	9	5	14	50	244	115	32	290.00	350.00	1,826.99	....	5,176.99	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
137	Lord Selkirk	9	4	13	22	117	65	11	139.00	408.51	1,241.92	....	4,741.92	250.00	Active	1	Rent
138	Windsor	9	9	18	29	180	52	24	244.00	240.00	1,224.22	1,217.21	59,323.78	43,500.00	Active	1	Own
139	Beaver	9	9	18	60	241	55	38	401.00	235.00	2,229.53	164.36	7,476.17	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
140	Meridian	9	8	17	62	316	90	42	380.00	520.65	894.21	748.00	16,149.42	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
141	Tuscan	9	2	11	15	92	35	42	547.50	101.76	1,821.20	40.00	3,028.70	350.00	Active	1	Rent
143	Mount Sinai	9	9	18	44	281	107	49	475.00	....	872.19	1,411.09	11,561.60	500.00	Active	1	Rent
144	Fort Osborne	9	8	17	44	176	49	18	182.50	255.00	683.45	....	6,161.01	500.00	Active	1	Rent
145	Sturgeon Creek	9	8	17	29	131	46	18	200.00	64.04	2,005.06	....	4,797.73	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
146	Fidelity	9	9	18	33	233	62	33	330.00	429.05	2,011.73	1,378.10	11,414,63	200.00	Active	1	Rent
163	Charleswood	10	7	17	2	44	35	7	70.00	25.00	898.55	....	2,050.68	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT OF LODGES UNDER SPECIAL SUPERVISION OF THE M.W. THE GRAND MASTER 31st DECEMBER, 1951.

124	The Pas	10	11	21	52	84	....	28	332.50	93.00	....	....	3,800.00	8,400.00	Active	1	Own
153	Flin Flon	10	13	23	53	108	38	11	90.00	150.00	849.39	5,369.15	5,102.70	10,500.00	Active	1	Own
157	Rice Lake	9	1	10	12	36	30	....	....	53.00	513.30	41.00	1,676,59	500.00	Active	1	Rent
161	Fort Prince of Wales	6	16	22	24	40	21	....	....	25.00	545.72	....	7,545.72	5,000.00	Active	1	Rent

LIST OF GRAND LODGES WITH THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF THE GRAND SECRETARIES

Grand Lodge	Grand Secretary	Address
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LIST OF GRAND LODGES WITH THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF THE GRAND SECRETARIES—Continued

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Washington	J. I. Preisener	Tacoma 3, Masonic Temple
West Virginia	Frank F. Flaig	Charleston 28, P.O. Box 2346
Western Australia	N. J. Munroe	Perth, Box d-117-G.P.O.
Wisconsin	P.W. Grossenbach, Jr.	Milwaukee, 705 E. Wells St.
Wyoming	Irving E. Clark	Casper

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA NEAR OTHER GRAND LODGES

Grand Lodge	Representative	Address	Date
Alabama	C. H. Stubinger	Montgomery	Mar. 10, 1937
Alberta	Sam. Harris	High Prairie	Jan. 2, 1941
Alpina (Switzerland)	Wm. Planta	Berne	Sept. 2, 1941
Arizona	Rev. R. S. Calder	Phoenix	Jan. 31, 1940
Arkansas	J. H. Pinson	El-Dorado	Mar. 27, 1925
British Columbia	Donald Adams	Revelstoke	Oct. 13, 1930
Canada (In Ontario)	Chas. S. Hamilton	Toronto	Mar. 22, 1944
Chile	Artouro de la Cruz	Santiago	Oct. 14, 1929
Colombia	Alfred G. Williams	Bogota	Nov. 24, 1942
Colorado	Ira C. Foster	Montrose	Feb. 24, 1940
Connecticut	W. A. Hunt	Forestville	Apr. 22, 1939
Costa Rica	Eric C. Murray	San Jose	Aug. 1, 1921
Cuba	T. E. Sierra	Havana	June 6, 1923
Delaware	Louis S. Cain	Wilmington	Jan. 29, 1927
Denmark	A. T. K. Troedsson	Copenhagen	Sept. 4, 1946
District of Columbia	Convass B. Dean	Arlington (Va.)	Aug. 8, 1949
Ecuador	Octavio Moran	Guayaquil	July 21, 1932
England	The Rt. Hon. Viscount de Vesci	Monk Hopton, Bridgnorth	Nov. 25, 1939
Florida	Frank H. Brown	Miami	Apr. 2, 1940
France, G.L.	Louis Doignon	Paris	Feb. 22, 1952
France, N.G.L.	G. H. Hargreaves	Paris	Apr. 26, 1936
Guatemala	Irving Stahl	Guatemala City	Oct. 31, 1945
Georgia	Carl Smith, Jr.	Covington	Apr. 19, 1951
Honduras	J. M. Lopez	Honduras	Dec. 1, 1931
Idaho	Neil R. Fitch	Payette	Dec. 9, 1941
Illinois	Dr. G. H. Stephens	Danville	Aug. 30, 1924
Indiana	Guy L. Roberts	Indianapolis	Sept. 15, 1951
Ireland	David Ferris	Newry	Nov. 1, 1921
Kansas	Homer C. Anderson	Topeka	Mar. 8, 1951
Kentucky	John L. Vest	Walton	Aug. 15, 1927
Louisiana	J. A. Thompson	Minden	Dec. 19, 1950
Maine	Geo. R. Caswell	Augusta	Apr. 14, 1952
Maryland	Chas. Reichhardt	Baltimore	Feb. 5, 1944
Massachusetts	Roger A. Vint	Malden	Nov. 28, 1950
Mexico, York G.L.	R. E. Valentine	Monterey	Sept. 1, 1950
Michigan	Louis Anderson	Omena	June 1, 1932
Minnesota	C. E. Hegman	St. Paul	June 27, 1949
Mississippi	A. F. Copeland	Leland	Apr. 19, 1932
Missouri	H. C. Johnston	Boonville	Nov. 16, 1936
Montana	Guy Dowen	Chinook	Nov. 24, 1949
Nebraska	E. C. Purdy	Gordon	July 7, 1943
Netherlands	Dr. M. ten Cate	Amsterdam	Apr. 16, 1948
Nevada	S. P. Kafoury	Reno	June 2, 1933
New Brunswick	Alfred Page	Woodstock	Apr. 14, 1939
New Hampshire	D. W. Hopkins	Greenfield	Aug. 27, 1943
New Jersey	J. F. Russell	Jersey City	Apr. 1, 1923
New Mexico	J. G. Benton	Jal	Dec. 4, 1945
New South Wales	S. A. Taplin	Drummoyne	Aug. 5, 1947
New York	W. H. DeChant	New York	Mar. 20, 1951
New Zealand	R. W. Carpenter	Hawk's Bay	Mar. 4, 1948
North Carolina	J. L. Peacock	Tarboro	July 10, 1935
North Dakota	P. B. Griffiths	Grand Forks	Jan. 5, 1939
Norway	Sigurd Halvorsen	Oslo	July 30, 1948
Nova Scotia	Rev. G. R. Thompson	Truro	May 18, 1943
Ohio	F. R. Dwyer	Bradford	July 28, 1943
Oklahoma	J. Gard Duncan	Wapanucka	Dec. 31, 1946
Oregon	Wilmot K. Royal	Portland	Dec. 4, 1933
Panama	M. J. Piza Gabriel P.	Puerto Rico	Jan. 21, 1939
Paraiba	Dr. Arlindo Correa	Paraiba	July 10, 1939
Philippine Islands	Gonzalo T. Vales	Manila	Feb. 6, 1940
Puerto Rico	Leon G. Reyes	Caguas	May 4, 1945
Prince Edward Island	Donald Baker	Summerside	May 8, 1936
Quebec	W. R. Allen	Montreal	Jan. 14, 1918

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA NEAR OTHER GRAND LODGES—Continued

Grand Lodge	Representative	Address	Date
Queensland	Wm. K. McLuckie	Brisbane	June 1, 1923
Rhode Island	H. V. Allan	Warwick	July 29, 1948
Rio de Janeiro	L. Bert Love	Rio de Janeiro	Nov. 11, 1944
Sao Paulo	Mauricio Utchitel	Sao Paulo	July 27, 1951
Saskatchewan	F. C. Hayes	Swift Current	July 23, 1945
Scotland	O. M. Watson	Glasgow	Aug. 19, 1948
South Australia	E. J. Copping	Adelaide	Aug. 1, 1930
South Carolina	Wm. W. Gregory	Inman	May 15, 1934
South Dakota	Jess. H. Thorpe	Watertown	Jan. 15, 1937
Tasmania	R. V. W. Green	Launceston	Apr. 24, 1928
Tennessee	Ira Parker	Nashville	Mar. 1, 1932
Texas	J. W. Pender	Denton	Mar. 1, 1931
Uruguay	M. M. Narancio	Montevideo	Feb. 8, 1949
Utah	J. W. Buck	Park City	Oct. 4, 1945
Vermont	A. H. Winchester	Brattleboro	Jan. 5, 1944
Victoria	E. J. Carter	Melbourne	Sept. 10, 1934
Virginia	Hugh Reid	Arlington	Nov. 21, 1949
Washington	G. L. Buck	Seattle	Mar. 1, 1951
West Virginia	C. B. Ahrens	Wheeling	Aug. 17, 1939
Western Australia	T. H. Bath	Perth	Dec. 13, 1946
Wisconsin	R. H. Watson	Milwaukee	May 1, 1939

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Grand Lodge	Representatives	Address	Date
Alabama	B. Warkentin	Beausejour	Mar. 24, 1948
Alberta	H. M. Kerr	Brandon	Nov. 25, 1930
Alpina (Switzerland)	S. H. Fahrni	Portage la Prairie	Jan. 16, 1952
Arizona	O. L. Best	Winnipeg	Mar. 29, 1944
Arkansas	Geo. H. Lucas	Bissett	
British Columbia	J. C. Grant	Winnipeg	Oct. 1, 1945
Canada (in Ontario)	W. D. Lawrence	Winnipeg	Sept. 13, 1940
Chile	N. J. Black	Winnipeg	May 13, 1920
Colombia	A. S. McCann	Winnipeg	Apr. 29, 1949
Colorado	K. R. Kennedy	Winnipeg	Mar. 5, 1938
Connecticut	M. S. Donovan	Brandon	May 21, 1935
Costa Rica	J. D. Lloyd	Emerson	Feb. 7, 1949
Cuba	J. Morgan Davies	Winnipeg	May 27, 1940
Delaware	J. G. Wiechman	Treherne	Mar. 18, 1952
Denmark	W. C. Birt	Winnipeg	Oct. 1, 1951
District of Columbia	A. C. Cabel	Winnipeg	Aug. 5, 1949
Ecuador	S. W. Robertson	Winnipeg	Apr. 26, 1946
England	W. J. Major	Winnipeg	June 12, 1935
Florida	S. Hart Green	Winnipeg	Apr. 30, 1945
France, N.G.L.	Chas. Midwinter	Winnipeg	Mar. 3, 1937
France, G.L.			
Guatemala	Robert Wood	Minnedosa	Jan. 12, 1951
Georgia	W. A. Prugh	Brandon	June 5, 1947
Honduras	A. G. Cowan	Winnipeg	Oct. 17, 1930
Idaho	S. J. Sametz	Winnipeg	Mar. 7, 1949
Illinois	W. R. Leslie	Morden	June 21, 1931
Indiana	R. E. Emmett	St. James	Apr. 3, 1944
Ireland	H. Coddington	Winnipeg	Oct. 14, 1950
Kansas	J. V. Dillabough	Winnipeg	Mar. 5, 1948
Kentucky	J. D. McKinlay	Winnipeg	May 23, 1951
Louisiana	Chas. E. Cole	Portage la Prairie	Feb. 28, 1938
Maine	W. D. Harper	Winnipeg	Jan. 19, 1937
Maryland	David Ferguson	Moosehorn	Nov. 5, 1945
Massachusetts	P. G. Hawkins	Winnipeg	Jan. 17, 1951
Mexico, York G.L.	M. A. Nitikman	Winnipeg	May 23, 1940
Michigan	A. J. Sawatsky	Morris	May 23, 1949
Minnesota	F. H. Blythe	Winnipeg	Feb. 5, 1952
Mississippi	J. Reid Glenn	Winnipeg	Dec. 20, 1951
Missouri	Maris H. Garton	Winnipeg	Jan. 31, 1934
Montana	M. S. Watson	Deloraine	Feb. 26, 1941
Nebraska	N. Rothstein	Winnipeg	Mar. 22, 1951
Netherlands	A. L. Crossin	Winnipeg	July 9, 1921
Nevada	J. P. Mowat	Winnipeg	June 30, 1950
New Brunswick	R. A. McKenzie	Roland	May 16, 1949
New Hampshire	W. D. G. Runions	Winnipeg	Nov. 22, 1948
New Jersey	W. G. Corbett	Stonewall	May 27, 1940
New Mexico	H. B. Donnelly	St. Vital	July 10, 1937
New South Wales	G. A. McMorran	Souris	June 26, 1951
New York	G. A. Woodside	Winnipeg	May 14, 1952
New Zealand	S. Burland	St. Vital	May 22, 1937
North Carolina	Robt. Peel	Miniota	Sept. 4, 1941
North Dakota	J. F. Dart	McKenzie Island	Jan. 18, 1937
Norway	Walle Larsson	Winnipeg	Apr. 25, 1952
Nova Scotia	D. S. Woods	St. Vital	Oct. 13, 1926
Ohio	A. E. Boyle	Winnipeg	June 10, 1924
Oklahoma	D. W. Smith	Portage la Prairie	Jan. 16, 1950
Oregon	J. W. Bringhurst	Winnipeg	Mar. 24, 1952
Panama	Walter Dalzell	Portage la Prairie	Jan. 10, 1951
Paraiba	Alex. Campbell	Winnipeg	June 15, 1946
Philippine Islands	John Livesey	Swan River	May 22, 1947

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Grand Lodge	Representative	Address	Date
Puerto Rico	G. V. Henderson	Strathclair	July 5, 1941
Prince Edward Island	F. B. Lynes	Crystal City	June 3, 1948
Quebec	H. T. Waters	Winnipeg	May 17, 1940
Queensland	G. P. Fairbairn	Winnipeg	Aug. 23, 1948
Rhode Island	J. R. C. Evans	Brandon	Oct. 18, 1945
Rio de Janeiro	W. C. McDonald	Roland	Apr. 12, 1947
Santa Domingo	W. G. Shaw	Elgin	May 30, 1932
Saskatchewan	H. H. Gray	Winnipeg	Nov. 10, 1948
Scotland	Wm. Douglas	Winnipeg	Feb. 11, 1936
Sao Paulo	E. B. Litz	Rathwell	Aug. 20, 1951
South Australia	J. J. Allen	Winnipeg	Feb. 21, 1950
South Carolina	C. R. Sayer	Winnipeg	May 20, 1940
South Dakota	Jas. Wardrope	Winnipeg	Apr. 10, 1945
Tasmania	T. L. Dodsworth	Winnipeg	July 21, 1945
Tennessee	J. S. MacEwing	Treherne	Oct. 15, 1913
Texas	H. G. Kilpatrick	Binscarth	Feb. 14, 1941
Uruguay	E. A. Baragar	Elm Creek	June 1, 1949
Utah	D. MacDonald	Ninette	May 24, 1941
Vermont	F. K. Purdie	Griswold	May 13, 1932
Victoria	R. M. Snider	Stonewall	June 20, 1945
Virginia	Clarence Hyde	Portage la Prairie	Nov 25, 1948
Washington	G. R. Mackay	Winnipeg	May 20, 1929
West Virginia	David Griffith	Fort Garry	Nov. 27, 1944
Western Australia	J. B. McClure	St. Vital	Sept. 17, 1948
Wisconsin	N. M. Hall	Winnipeg	May 7, 1945

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1951-1952

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

HUGH M. KERR
Chairman

The following reviews cover
all Grand Lodge Proceedings received
to June 1st, 1952

ALBERTA, Grand Master, 1951

I am sorry to report that I have this day, June 13th, 1951, had to say that I could not personally visit with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba upon their invitation to be with them. By unforeseen circumstances they had to postpone their meeting one week and it falls upon this very day, thus it was impossible that I attend. I do hope that their Grand Master M.W. Bro. Charles Cole, his Officers and members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba have one of the most successful and profitable meetings ever held in their Jurisdiction. To be deprived of again being with such personal friends as M.W. Bro. Charles Cole, Grand Master, and M.W. Grand Secretary, Harry Coddington, and my many other personal friends in the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, is a great disappointment to me.

The task of speculative Freemasonry is to build men. The tools are symbols of the standards of life which enable man to find life at its best. The end of Masonic effort is the serving of God, not by erection of dead stones but by erection of living stones into a spiritual temple of eternal value.

Freemasonry seeks to make man conscious of his inherent greatness—his own worth—you are not a chattel at the disposal of governments, but one of inherent right to have a voice in Government and the ordering of your own life.

We face a world today that searches for an activating force that will release a destructive power so great that it is beyond imagination.

That is the world whose possibilities we have to match today. Can we become the activating force in mankind that will withstand the race of destruction?

As your Grand Master, I have travelled far and wide over our Jurisdiction and it pleases me to report that I find the condition of Masonry in Alberta excellent. Nearly every Lodge is busily engaged in the work of Masonic advancement by making Masons, building new temples, educating their young members by all available means, visitations and by a greater interest in and appreciation for Grand Lodge. The use of the newly made Mason in degree work is prevalent and the planning of special Lodge meetings is adding much to attendance interest.

It is true a few of our large City Lodges have been proud to form daughter lodges and that is being done. One new daughter Lodge—Canada U.D.—was formed in Calgary and one is in the process of being arranged in Edmonton.

Our Lodges need a greater service by Grand Lodge in the form of lecturers or Panel of Speakers—or a more extended type of visitation, to every rural Lodge by higher Officers of Grand Lodge to assist in the education and stimulation of our Masonic structure. Our Province is in the throes of tremendous expansion and advancement and our Masonic condition though excellent, could be much improved by the Institution of new Lodges where needed. The call is in now for the possible need of such at several points and I believe this Grand Lodge could do more to interest itself in and assist such areas to arrange and formulate such new Lodges. It is a great blessing to me however, to know there is no discord, no problem unsolved, no reason to prevent me stating that the Condition of Masonry in Alberta is excellent.

ARIZONA, Grand Master, 1951

RELIEF TO MANITOBA MASONS

On June 13, 1950, the following telegram was received from Brother Carl Claudy, Executive Secretary, the Masonic Service Association, Washington, D.C.:

> Most Worshipful Harry Coddington, Grand Master, Manitoba, appeals for aid to all United States Grand Lodges through this Association to help his stricken Grand Lodge relieve the great suffering caused by tremendous floods in his Province. Not setting any quota, suggest that if in your wisdom your Grand Lodge could contribute one cent per capita, sufficient funds would be raised for material assistance. We will collect, transmit, audit and account for all sums sent to us for Manitoba, paying all expenses so that every penny of contribution will go to relieve the thousands of homeless and destitute Masons of Manitoba. Regards.
>
> Carl Claudy,
>
> The Masonic Service Association.

On receipt of the telegram, I at once contacted Brother Ivey, Grand Secretary, and Brother Myers, Grand Treasurer, and arranged for a check to be sent to Brother Claudy in the amount of $84.83, as our contribution. On June 16, 1950, I wrote Brother Claudy my action in this matter.

Under date of June 23, Brother Claudy mailed the following quotation from a letter written by Grand Master Harry Coddington:

> "It is impossible at this time to make any fair appraisal of the loss which has been sustained and will be sustained by Lodges and members of the Craft in the flooded area. In the case of our members who are farmers, it is true that already many of them are in the position of having their homes flooded, their barns and farm buildings carried away by the floods. Families have been scattered all over Manitoba and the sister Provinces and in some points in the United States. The flooded lands will probably produce no crops this year."

No further report has been received from Brother Claudy in this matter.

BRITISH COLUMBIA, Grand Master, 1951

This past year has been a strenuous and a most eventful one. During the months, momentous events have passed across our horizon in the swift kaleidoscope of an unsettled world. All around us wages a conflict between two ways of life. On all sides we read and we hear of strife—political, racial and economic strife. Yes, let us say we are living in a fantastic unbelievable sort of an age. We know what we are, but we know not what we will be. But what of all these tumultuous times! It is just such difficult days that hold for us as Freemasons a challenge. This is no time to indulge in a dangerous and pessimistic attitude. This is a time for courage and for leadership. We profess to be engaged in a great humanitarian endeavour, in trying to make our communities better places in which to live, in helping our fellows to raise their standards of life and in the distributing of happiness. Our Motto is the Golden Rule, our philosophy is that of the Good Samaritan and our morality is based on the teachings of the Great Master. It is a morality that involves a simple understanding of our fellowmen, a desire to be helpful and a care not to be selfish or unkind. It is a sense of decency and honesty, a belief in justice and fairness to all. It tells us that there are things of the spirit, affairs of the soul, that transcend in importance the material things of life and that without these spiritual assets we will come to naught.

And so, Brethren, if the deep spiritual truths and practical techniques of Freemasonry have any meaning at all for us, then let us be sincere in our declarations. Let us practise their precepts and live them into our very lives. Let us make our Freemasonry a virile and operative force for good. Let the voice of Freemasonry be heard and let us demand of ourselves a more realistic and positive demonstration of our precious philosophy. The threatenings that are abroad will be no greater than we allow them to be and the difficulties and darkness that would surround us can be dissipated just as surely as night grows into day. Let us as men and as Freemasons take up the challenge of this today. Let us be living exemplars of our high ideals. Do the most for our fellowmen in the best way we know how. We will be serving humanity, and doing our part in making this great Country of ours, this Canada and this Province a better place in which to live. Someone has said that, "The era of peace, brotherhood, the Golden Rule, as applied to Governmental matters is yet to come and when it comes then, and then only, will the Future of Nations be sure." It will not only be in accomplishment, but in the eagerness and the courage of our efforts towards our Ideals that there will be for us, and for our fellowmen, any "Tomorrows that sing."

CANADA (In Ontario), Grand Master, 1951

As I write this final Address a host of emotions crowd into my conciousness. Would that I could write of a world at peace. Truly these are anxious days. The world seems caught in a veritable maelstrom. It is impossible not to have sympathy with those who have charge of international relationships. Regardless of what decisions are made, there are those who will disagree. Would that some power could be given to foresee the result of their decisions! How many pitfalls, how many errors could be avoided, if only hindsight could reveal the future. In my message to you a year ago, little did I think that we would be facing the crisis of today. Since then the relations among the nations of the world have become worse. There never was a crisis in history such as there is today—not a war for territory but a war for principles —a war of minds and standards and ideologies. However, those of you who recall the late thirties will remember that we faced a terrifying situation at that time. I might suggest, to any of you who are fearful, that you think back to the days when dictators were goose-stepping across Europe. The responsibility of directing our destinies is in the hands of many capable men and we can do little about it but ask God's guidance in their decisions.

In striving to understand world affairs as we all do, and in seeking to know the involved circumstances pertaining thereto, we can reduce our perplexity to one fundamental principle, which is that it will be either the church or the hammer and sickle for the generations who will become our future citizens.

Happily there is another side. It isn't so spectacular, so dramatic, so exciting; it isn't noisy and often its colours are subdued but it is a part of the world of today, just as it was a part of the world of yesterday and will be tomorrow. It is eternal and in it grow the roots of faith, hope and charity. The spark of Divinity in man has not been lost. There still dwells in his heart the spirit of love. One of our troubles is our inability to see all things in proper perspective. Because of that, a two inch headline far out-weighs in importance a simple act of kindness that never rates print at all, yet may influence a multitude of lives. These little acts of kindness—and many big ones—are happening around you every day. They are done by people like you. Very likely you do some of them. To their eternal credit counts the fact that most people do these things and think little of it.

Even into the grim and terrible business of war that spirit of goodness and love marches with our soldiers. Who has not read stories or seen pictures of them risking life and limb to help their fellows or the innocent victims of conflict, especially children? If the brutal work of war cannot obliterate that unborn spirit of charity, love and decency, we need not lose our faith in humanity.

Yes, verily, the world is full of bad things and bad people who do bad things but it is also well supplied with good people who do all manner of good things—things you never hear about, yet they make their impression upon the life of our day.

So long as people are ready with help and assistance to those who have been unfortunate; so long as many people hold in their hearts a love of beauty, music and friendship, we can know that the image of the Creator has not all been lost.

Was there ever a passport into more wonderful friendships than that represented by your membership in Masonry? When you extend your hand in fellowship and understanding, it is received, not by a limited group, but by millions.

Pause and consider what your Masonic membership is worth to you—not in dollars, but in things that dollars cannot buy.

May I suggest that thought be given to the strength and inspiration that we receive from the lessons of Masonry and how those lessons enrich our lives and broaden our vision. They even make possible an education, the like of which is not possible through any other course of instruction.

There is the constant need and privilege of service which Masonry offers, and the happiness derived from such service and sacrifice.

When we enter the portals of Freemasonry we evidently have certain qualifications which are necessary to become a Mason, and if we take stock of ourselves we will find that we have grown spiritually and mentally over the years that we have worked in the Craft.

Many of you have looked upon the face of a Brother who is about to receive a medal for fifty years of service to Masonry. Imagine just what Masonry has meant to such Masons! They were proud occasions when I had the great privilege of presenting this medal and I have remarked what an inspiration they should be to the younger members.

Truly, as I have said many times, we are the windows through which the world looks at Masonry and, remember, this is the only way that the rest of the world can judge just what Masonry really is. When I say this, I mean that every member of our Fraternity is a window of Masonry. Whether he be the youngest or oldest member, whether he be an officer of the Lodge or the Worshipful Master or a member of Grand Lodge or the Grand Master, we are all the windows through which the world looks and judges Masonry. Let us see to it, let us make sure that we keep these windows bright and shining and make them a living memorial so that those who come after will be inspired to carry on the torch of Freemasonry and the world cannot help feeling the goodness of that influence.

It has been said that an organization must justify its existence. Our aim is the building of character; we take the material that comes to us and try to make better men out of that material. If Freemasonry does that, it has lived up to its purpose and has fulfilled its highest ideals.

Should we not give thanks to God that we are privileged to live in a land where Masonry is free to practise its precepts;

a land where we can think for ourselves, work where we desire, worship in our own way, and travel wherever we wish without the arm of dictators stretching out a forbidding hand? In spite of difficulties and dangers, Canadians should and can face the future with hope and courage, and also with confidence that freedom, justice and right will prevail. Therefore, let us cherish and preserve our liberties, guard them most carefully and see to it that we do our best. By so doing, we shall individually have done our part and, as a result, we cannot help but find some happiness and contentment of mind in the days to come.

MANITOBA FLOOD RELIEF

I am pleased to report a magnificent response to my suggestion regarding the Manitoba Flood Relief. On May 30th of last year, I addressed a letter to all Lodges in the Jurisdiction requesting their assistance for the relief of those who, through no fault of their own, encountered such a disaster. As I reported last year, we immediately forwarded $5,000.00 from our Grand Lodge funds and, through your generosity, I was very proud to present on your behalf to the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, at our last Annual Communication, a cheque in the amount of $10,000.00. I am also pleased to report to you that we forwarded a cheque in the amount of $2,000.00 to one of our own members from Algoma District who was farming in the southern part of Manitoba and was left completely destitute by the flood. We also contributed $500.00 to one of our members from St. Thomas District whose home was badly damaged by the rising waters in the city of Winnipeg. As you all know the fund was closed on March 31st of this year and the balance amounting to $5,222.90 was forwarded to the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

The contributions from the brethren of this Grand Jurisdiction amounted to $17,722.90, which, along with $5,000.00 from Grand Lodge funds, made a gross amount of $22,722.90 forwarded to our distressed brethren in Manitoba.

This is another splendid example of your co-operation and support and, as I have said on many occasions, the encouragement is such that the responsibility of a Grand Master is considerably lightened. Therefore, from the depths of a grateful heart and on behalf of those who have been helped by your generosity, I say, "Thank you, thank you very much."

CONNECTICUT, Grand Master, 1951

MANITOBA FLOOD RELIEF

I received a telegram from Carl H. Claudy dated June 13, 1950, advising that M.W. Harry Coddington, Grand Master of Manitoba, appeals for aid of all United States Grand Lodges through the Masonic Service Association, to help his stricken Grand Lodge to relieve the great suffering caused by tremendous floods in his Province. Contributions were requested.

I forthwith had the Grand Treasurer send a check for $200.00, and shortly thereafter while a guest at a Scottish Rite dinner given to Brother Irving Partridge, 33°, Active for Connecticut, at the Hartford Club in Hartford, I brought this subject up with the result that the Scottish Rite Bodies in Connecticut contributed an additional $560.00, which made the total from Connecticut $760.00. The report of the Executive Commission of the Masonic Service Association submitted at the Annual Meeting on February 19th showed that it collected $19,210.44 for Manitoba Relief, which was forwarded to Harry Coddington, Grand Master.

GEORGIA, Grand Master, 1951

Letter from St. John the Baptist Lodge at Valdosta, Ga. No. 184, regarding application of affiliated brother for a twenty-five year button, this brother having affiliated with this Lodge in 1926, and having been a good loyal member over these years. Although his application for button indicated that the brother had come from a Clandestine Lodge—Doric No. 4 of Pittsburg, Pa.

In view of the fact that this brother has been on the rolls of St. John the Baptist Lodge No. 184 for 25 years continuously, the Secretary of this Lodge was asked to have this Brother execute the Form of Renunciation, which he did. After this was done, he was declared Healed and a regular member in good standing of St. John the Baptist Lodge No. 184, F. & A.M.

Request for ruling from Capitol View Lodge No. 640 as to whether "a man who is deaf and dumb but could lip read would be eligible for Degrees of Masonry."

I ruled, citing Section No. 138 of the 1947 Code, that one such as he would not be eligible for the Degrees of Masonry.

INDIANA, Grand Master, 1951

MANITOBA FLOOD RELIEF

On June 13, 1950, I received the following telegram:

Washington, D.C., June 13, 1950

John E. Baldridge, Grand Master
1640 Lafayette Ave., Columbus, Ind.

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Carl H. Claudy, The Masonic Service Association.

On June 17, 1950, by letter to the Grand Secretary, I authorized a contribution of $500, as an emergency relief measure. I felt that the full amount suggested would raise more money than actually needed at that time.

At the Grand Masters' Conference, in Washington, I heard Most Worshipful Brother Harry Coddington, Grand Master of Manitoba, personally express thanks to the Grand Lodges of the United States for the great assistance rendered, and he described some of the actual cases where the money was used in the rehabilitation of those who had lost all they possessed in the flood.

Six-Months' Waiting Period. A Past Master, Worthy Patron of his O.E.S. Chapter, wrote to me asking if the Eastern Star Chapter could act upon the petition of a Master Mason of less than six months' standing. I advised that the Grand Lodge could not control the action of an O.E.S. Chapter, but that he, as a Master Mason, would be remiss in his duty if he did not advise his less informed Brother to wait until the proper time. May 23, 1950.

Dual Membership. A Secretary reported that one of the members of his Lodge had moved to a neighboring Grand Jurisdiction in which dual membership is permitted and information had come to the Lodge that said member had joined a Lodge in the neighboring Grand Jurisdiction. He asked what to do about it. I referred him to Section 94, as amended in 1950: "No Indiana Mason can be a member of more than one Lodge at the same time in this Grand Jurisdition or any other Grand Jurisdiction." I instructed that the member should be notified that he must make choice of which membership he desires to retain and that failure to demit from one of the Lodges would necessitate charges of unmasonic conduct. October 13, 1950.

Objection by E.A. or F.C. A Lodge Secretary inquired: "Can an E.A. in a Lodge of E.A., or a F.C. in a Lodge of F.C. or E.A., object to the conferring of a degree on a candidate when the Worshipful Master, in preparing for the degree, invites objections?" I ruled that they could not.

IOWA, Grand Master, 1951

Obedient to our obligations and in response to the requirements of our laws, we, the chosen representatives of the entire Fraternity in this Grand Jurisdiction, are once more assembled in annual communication, not alone for the transaction of the business of the Grand Lodge of Iowa, but for the pleasure and profit we derive from a more intimate acquaintance with each other and an exchange of the Masonic tokens of Brotherly Love and Friendship. The fraternal spirit of Freemasonry, which is its very life, can in no other way be caused to so continually glow with fervency in our hearts as by our frequent gathering together the formation of close and lasting friendships and a hearty cooperation in all our laudable efforts to maintain the high standard of morality and virtue and to disseminate the sublime principles of our beloved Order.

While the space of time, since we last met, has been filled with problems of vast importance to our Nation and which consequently affect the lives of each and every one of us and are yet to be solved, yet a retrospective look over the past twelve months furnishes us, in spite of the dark clouds which hover over us, abundant cause for thanksgiving and praise to the All-Wise Supreme Architect of the Universe to whom we as Masons owe the most profound reverence. It seems fitting, therefore, that as a Grand Lodge we should, with bowed heads and each in his own way and words, most reverently thank Him from Whom all blessings flow.

Facts—Can lodge accept sums of money from members to pay dues in advance for a certain number of years, the money to be used to purchase outstanding shares in the building?

Held—That in addition to the fact that the acceptance of advance payments being a very questionable practice, the acceptance of a given amount of money to pay dues for a given number of years is illegal; that all the lodge could do would be to apply the amount given on the dues as they became due and that the Secretary must issue a separate receipt each year and that the Secretary cannot issue a number of receipts for dues in advance for the total amount of money deposited. Also ruled, that if the lodge accepts a given sum of money in advance, the purpose of which is to pay the dues as they become due, that that portion of the sum belonging to the Grand Lodge as Grand Lodge dues must be used only for the purpose of paying Grand Lodge dues and for no other purpose.

Facts—Whether the Secretary of the lodge who has been sending a receipt to a brother living in another state but who has never sat in lodge with this brother could vouch for him as a Master Mason?

Held—That he could not; that the Code provides that the only way in which he could vouch for the brother would be by virtue of his having sat in open lodge with the brother or by having examined him by authority of the Worshipful Master.

KENTUCKY, Grand Master, 1950

Secretary of Dunavan Lodge No. 292 desired an opinion on the following:

Question: Can a lodge when asked for a waiver of jurisdiction require the petitioner to pay the difference in initiation fee (if any) before granting or refusing waiver.

Answer: It is my opinion the lodge being asked for a waiver would have nothing to say regarding initiation fee. They would only have the privilege of granting or refusing the waiver.

Master of Linton Lodge No. 783 desired an opinion on the following:

Question: As our stated meetings are governed by the moon and this month our stated meeting would come on May 1, and again May 30. Would it be legal to meet and transact business on May 30?

Answer: This is to advise first that a Masonic month is twenty-eight days and in my opinion you will be perfectly in your rights to meet and transact business on May 30.

Secretary, Pieratt Lodge No. 725 desired an opinion on the following:

Question: Could a man seventy years old in good health and morally fit petition a Masonic Lodge?

Answer: Regulation 63. Old age no bar. Old age is not a bar to Masonry. A man is eligible to lodge membership as long as he is in possession of his physical and intellectual faculties, of which the lodge must be the judge.

It is my opinion this man would come under the above regulation and is entitled to a petition.

LOUISIANA, Grand Master, 1951

ASSISTANCE TO GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA

(Approved. See page 247.)

On June 13, during my absence from Louisiana while attending the Grand Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin the following telegram arrived from Brother Carl H. Claudy, Executive Secretary of the Masonic Service Association:

"Most Worshipful Harry Coddington G.M., Manitoba appeals for aid to all U.S. Grand Lodges through this association to help his stricken Grand Lodge relieve the great suffering caused by tremendous flood in his Province. Not setting any quota, suggest that if in your wisdom your Grand Lodge could contribute one percent per capita sufficient funds would be raised for material assistance we will collect, transmit, audit and account for all sums sent us for Manitoba, paying all expenses so that every penny of contribution will go to relieve thousands of homeless and destitute Masons of Manitoba. Regards.

Carl H. Claudy
Masonic Service Association"

QUEBEC, Grand Master, 1950

My Brethren:

"The Eightieth Communication of our Grand Lodge opens under a cloud of armed conflict. What the future holds no one can say, but there is a world uneasiness which is natural after two global wars. This fact, however, should not dim our outlook for a better world, nor blunt our energies in an effort to reach that goal. But it does, I think, call for two outstanding qualities in all of us, Courage and Faith.

"Our forefathers when they settled this country were possessed of both these qualities. Courage to meet a hostile people; a rigorous climate; loneliness and many other conditions. Their faith in themselves and above all in God held them to their trust. Today we must thank them for this beautiful and prosperous country which we call home.

Now as men and Masons we face a new set of circumstances. Dictatorship is reaching out a greedy hand to upset our peace and destroy our freedom. Dictators have never been kind to Freemasonry. The call goes out to every Mason as it came to Joshua of old, 'Be strong and of good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed; for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest.'

"While as Freemasons we lay emphasis upon the importance of the individual, living calls for team play in which each lives and thinks for others. Not trying to get at the cost of others, but rendering every kind office which justice and mercy may require. One careless, selfish or indifferent player may wreck a team or at least lose the game.

"As a stimulus to our courage and faith let us remember that there are certain fundamental things woven into the life of each of us—our Church, our home, our schools, our fraternity. These are enduring; these are the foundation of a nation; these must be preserved intact. My Brethren let us raise our ideals, our acts, our words to a new and higher level that we may be worthy of the past and an inspiration for the future. Longfellow beautifully expresses the thought 'Lives of great men all remind us we can make our lives sublime, and departing leave behind us footprints in the sands of Time.'

COMMUNISM

"Now I must sound a solemn warning. A few moments ago I said Dictators have never been kind to Freemasons for the very reason our name implies. Wherever Communism holds sway Freemasonry has gone under ground. But Communism is reaching out into other lands and attempting to seize control of important movements.

"Last February at the Washington Conference one Grand Master told of a lodge where two, or three, communists had gained admission, every candidate was black balled and the lodge was in a fair way of becoming completely paralyzed. The prompt action of the Grand Master saved the situation.

"I cite this to show what could happen in our own jurisdiction. The last war has given us a floating population, especially in urban centres. You meet your neighbour over the back fence and he seems a splendid fellow. After a time he asks for an application form and you may be invited to sign it. What do you actually know about him? Do you go to the trouble of writing to other places where he has lived? The same may be said of the Examining Committees, what efforts do they put forth; do they try to find out what he has said and done in other places; who were his associates; what character did he exhibit? These are important, especially in candidates not well known. Committees are often careless in their investigations."

CONSECRATION OF DEVONSHIRE LODGE

"Grand Lodge having granted Devonshire Lodge a Charter the Consecration took place on December 13th. I was assisted by the Deputy Grand Master, Grand Secretary, two District Deputy Grand Masters, Grand Director of Ceremonies and many others. The sponsors, St. George, No. 440 (E.R.), was well represented by officers and members. The official launching of this lodge was a very happy occasion, where members of two jurisdictions met for a specific purpose, such an event could only happen in two jurisdictions in Canada. Devonshire will continue to be the bond between ourselves and the Mother of Lodges, the Grand Lodge of England. Later I was highly honoured by being made an honorary member."

QUEENSLAND, Grand Master, 1951

Whence came the ideals and principles of Freemasonry, which are so trite that they belong to no age, nor to any locality? They are ageless and universal, and possibly the most precious things we possess. Ideals are the greatest powers in the universe. They give birth to Institutions, they establish

Empires, they create Orders, and Freemasonry is the greatest demonstration of the ideal of the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man.

Great souls have been behind us in this order of ours, and to-night we remember with gratitude those men of yester years. Our heritage is a very great one, and it is our responsibility to pass it on, not only unmarred, but improved, enlarged, extended, enriched, unimpaired, so that those who follow after us will have just as good reason to be proud of the past as we have.

There are great tasks ahead of this Grand Lodge, and we need the faith that is adventurous, which will not sit still and just hold what we have, but will adventure out into wider areas and larger undertakings.

MAINE, Grand Master, 1951

RELIEF FOR MANITOBA

When the devastating floods occurred in the Dakotas, Nebraska and Manitoba, the Masonic Service Association wired Grand Masters of the afflicted areas, asking if help was needed. In May all thought they could handle the damage, but the floods became worse, more and more brethren and property were involved and greater became the hopelessness of the outlook for Manitoba Masons.

On June 9th, the Association, responding to an appeal from the Grand Master of Manitoba, wired all Grand Masters in his behalf. Manitoba has 106 Lodges, and 13,500 brethren. The Masonic Service Association paid all expenses of telegrams, looked after the collection and transmittal of funds, so that every penny contributed was sent to Manitoba.

It is impossible to paint an accurate picture of the havoc wrought in the stricken areas. Grand Master Coddington, in one letter states:

"The number of individual Masons who have been injured in person or property and the extent of the injuries can never be accurately measured. There are an estimated 2,500 members of the Craft in the areas which were submerged—of these, many are farmers. They have seen their lands flooded, their homes, barns and other farm buildings filled with water, in some cases have lost their livestock."

Believing that the brethren of Maine would want to do their share in relieving the distress of our Manitoba brethren, I instructed our Grand Treasurer to forward the sum of Five Hundred Dollars to the Masonic Service Association for this purpose.

Contributions from members of the Association totalled nearly twenty thousand dollars. Grand Master Coddington acknowledged the contributions with grateful thanks, in one letter stating:

"Masonry in Manitoba will never forget American Masonry's ready outstretched hand, its kind sympathy and prompt aid. Masonry has an added depth of meaning because of these things."

I know that the Masons of Maine are proud to have been of assistance, together with the brethren of our Sister Jurisdictions, in helping to relieve the distress of our Canadian brethren. What this free-will offering of American Masonry has meant in cementing and solidifying the fraternal bonds which bind so tightly across the imaginary line which is the border can better be imagined than described.

The quick and efficient work of the Masonic Service Association in co-ordinating relief measures in this case is to be commended.

Although the Grand Jurisdictions in the United States have enjoyed prosperity during the past year, and their relations have been harmonious, such has not been the case in certain other countries where the brethren have suffered persecution from without and treason from within.

Only a too short time ago, the world emerged from the greatest and most destructive war that humanity has ever known—a war between two forces—those who believe in the principles for which our forefathers fought and died, and those who would enslave the world. Today we are engaged in an armament race and an undeclared war with those forces, and our boys are fighting to preserve the priceless heritage which we now enjoy.

Today our system of government is being used by traitors to destroy those privileges which we so highly prize. Freedom of speech, freedom of the press, and freedom of assembly are being used by forces which allow no such freedom.

While I do not undertake to recommend a panacea, I do believe that we, as Masons, should consider our obligation and duty to help combat this situation. Loyalty and fidelity to our principles is needed today as never before.

Freemasonry as an organization takes no part, but as individual Masons we cannot stand by and allow these forces to destroy our homes, our churches, our schools and our lodges. I am sure there is no lack of ability in our country today, but out greatest danger is in the indifference of its citizens. Perhaps as individuals we feel that there is little we can do, but our total membership represents a strong and powerful group of clear thinking men who can go far in shaping the destiny of our future. Masons are expected to abide by the laws, and be loyal to their country. If the Masonic lessons which have been taught could be reflected in every Mason in his daily life, the effects would soon be seen.

If the men who make up Masonry in this State do not have the conviction that the priceless heritage of freedom which we have had handed down to us is worthwhile, and if we do not have the courage to stand for what we believe, then ultimately we face the same fate which our brethren in other countries have suffered.

You are men of integrity in your communities, and it is time for us, as Masons and as citizens, to be the nucleus around which will gather those who always have, do now, and always will believe in our way of life.

Today, as never before, we should heed the warning given by that great Mason, George Washington, in his first inaugural address, delivered in 1789.

"As our nation faces the crises of today, Masons should re-awaken to the fundamentals which undergird the structure of our liberties. The essential worth of these basic elements in our way of life cannot be too frequently re-affirmed; and foremost among them stands our faith in a Supreme Being—a God to whom men of all races and creeds can turn for strength and wisdom."

Thus was our Ship of State launched, and thus must we, as Masons, ever steer its course.

MINNESOTA, Grand Master, 1951

FLOOD RELIEF, MANITOBA

There was one case which needed no investigation. I refer to the case of the flooded areas in our sister jurisdiction of Manitoba. I at once authorized an appropriation of $500.00 for assistance to our brothers and this was gratefully received and by personal observation upon the spot I am of the opinion that the sum should have been more, but I was restricted by our regulations.

DISTRICT FELLOWSHIP MEETINGS

It is to be regretted that many do not ask their questions in open lodge, but wait until afterwards during the social hour. Under such circumstances the information they request is not disseminated to the fraternity present as a whole and so does not benefit all. I often wonder why the brethren at these meetings are so reluctant to get on their feet and ask a question. These brethren will get up and spout ritual by the hour and never miss a word and yet if they have to put two consecutive words together of their own volition they are speechless. I think that a little more questioning of the Grand Lodge officers present—those who are able to give the answers, or at least should be able to, would result in much greater benefit from these meetings.

I wish to draw your attention to one thing. The Board of Custodians have exemplified a method of balloting in which the Tyler does not take part, and in one instance this caused trouble in the lodge. Inasmuch, as the Tyler does not need to be a member of the lodge which he tyles, he is not considered to be present and therefore not entitled to vote upon a petitioner. In my opinion this is wrong, for the Code states that all members present must vote. Further as the, name of the Tyler appears upon the minutes of the lodge as being present how can he be denied the right to ballot? It is exceedingly strange he can both be present and absent at one and the same time.

MISSISSIPPI, Grand Master, 1951

MANITOBA RELIEF

On June 16th I received a request from M.W. Harry W. Coddington, Grand Master of Manitoba, through the Masonic Service Association, for relief of Masons in flooded areas around Winnipeg. On the advice of members of the Finance Committee I approved a donation of $411.63.

Question—We have an application for the three degrees from a man who is hard of hearing and to receive the lectures and obligations it will be necessary for him to have a hearing aid for him to properly understand. Is this applicant eligible to receive the degrees?

Answer—Yes. One who is maimed by the loss of a member which is supplied by mechanical art of such degree as to enable him to conform to the requirements of the ritual may receive the three degrees. It is only where the applicant is wholly deprived of the sense of hearing that he is not qualified. See Williams Digest, Revised 1946, page 17; also, Rules and Regulations, Section 8, page 109 of Williams Digest, Revised 1946.

Under the facts stated by you, the applicant is not deprived of his sense of hearing and his deficiency in that regard is supplied by mechanical device that will permit him to fully comply with the ritual. He is, therefore, qualified physically to receive the degrees.

Question—Should the investigating committee on a petition for the three degrees report unanimously or can one report unfavorably and the other two report favorably?

Answer—The committee should strive to report unanimously, but if they cannot agree, then two should report favorably or unfavorably, as the case may be, and the other member of the committee may file a minority report contrary to that of the majority, in which event the Master should state the facts with reference to the report and the condition thereof when the ballot is spread.

Question—If only two report, one favorably and the other unfavorably, can a ballot be taken?

Answer—No. This amounts to no report of the committee and the Master should discharge the committee and appoint another.

Question—Should the committee work together and agree before the report is made?

Answer—Yes. If the committee cannot agree, at least if two of them cannot agree upon the type of report to be made, the committee should be discharged and another committee appointed.

You will find the answer to most of your questions in Williams Digest, Revised 1950, page 21, and Williams Digest, Revised 1946, page 21.

MISSOURI, Grand Master, 1951

My experiences during my year's service as Grand Master have convinced me more than ever of the vital importance of our Fraternity to our Nation in the perpetuation of its form of government. Freemasonry does not promote its views by propaganda or organized efforts on the part of the

Fraternity, but makes its influence felt in our various communities and in the Nation through the lives and conduct of its individual members. I recognize the importance to our Fraternity of perfection in our ritual, and I have a great admiration for our brethren who have made themselves perfect in the ritualism of the Craft. It is necessary that those of our members who are gifted in this respect should become perfect in the ritual in order that the ritual may be transmitted, unimpaired, to those who come after us. However, even more important than perfection in ritual is the implanting in the hearts of our members and our initiates the spiritual and moral lessons of our Fraternity, since these teach a way of life which is consistent with our American concept of individual freedom. Our American way of life is based fundamentally upon a religious concept that "all men are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, and that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness." We believe that men should be civilly free because they are the children of God, are each endowed with a close relationship to the Divine and that there is implanted in each human being a spark of Divinity which we call the soul.

Freemasons are to be good citizens and obey the civil law, but our obligation extends much further than simply these observances, since we recognize that every human being is, or should be, bound by a moral code established by Almighty God, which substantially enlarges our obligations. As Freemasons we owe to ourselves and to Almighty God the obligation of living upright, honorable lives and a recognition of our kinship with all fellowmen. It is our obligation *not only* to obey the civil law, but to support and maintain in our respective communities those institutions which are established for the advancement of the spiritual welfare and the building of character of the members of the community, and to contend against and seek to destroy those elements of vice which appear in our communities which tend to destroy the moral character of our people.

The great conflict being waged both internationally and within our own borders is the conflict between materialism and spiritual values. We, as Freemasons, are dedicated to the support of the latter concept, and it is a part of our obligation that we shall live and conduct ourselves in our daily lives as to promote the moral and spiritual welfare of our respective communities and of those with whom we come in contact.

NEBRASKA, Grand Master, 1951

DEGREE TEAMS

There is no provisions in our Law as to degree teams, nor should there be. These uniformed teams are doing work in a number of lodges; and where they are all members of the lodge in which they work, if they conform to the rules of our Grand Jurisdiction as to work and procedure, no exception can be taken. There are, however, some degree teams which are composed of groups operating independently; such as Shrine teams, Knights Templar teams; Overland Club teams; Telephone teams, and the like. These owe no direct allegiance to any lodge, and consider themselves free lances as to the time, place, and manner in which they work, subject only to the invitation of the Master of the lodge in which the degree is to be conferred.

I have refused permission for a degree team in Knights Templar uniform to confer such work on a candidate in one of our lodges; and I would equally refuse to permit a team in Shriners uniforms to do such work; neither of them as to uniform bearing any possible relation to the drama of our Third degree in its historical setting.

I would further rule that any such degree team has no right to operate or do degree work unless it is sponsored by a chartered lodge of our Nebraska Grand Jurisdiction. The Grand Lodge deals only with subordinate lodges which it has chartered; they are bound by its laws in every way; and a degree team should be under the jurisdiction of such a lodge, to whom the Grand Lodge might turn, in its need for regulation or discipline. I do not offer any amendment to Grand Lodge Law; I do feel that there should be an official expression from the Grand Lodge in this matter, and that, in line with such expression, the Committee on Work should make the necessary ruling to see that proper compliance is made. This type of degree work does the candidate no good; it becomes a show or spectacle put on for the so-called edification of the Masons on the benches, and too often, as such a show, it leads to practices which have no place in our work, and which tend to harm, rather than help, our Masonry, and the future attitude of the candidate toward his relationship to Masonry in view of what happened to him.

NEW BRUNSWICK, Grand Master, 1951

Grand Lodge assembles at this time to consider such matters of business as may be brought before it; its officers to report on the year's activities; its members to hear and examine these reports and they jointly to counsel with one another for the promotion of the best interests of Freemasonry, that our principles and teachings may be furthered and accomplished, believing that good and wise men can act on the principles of righteousness and personal responsibility to enlighten them as to those things which make for human welfare, and to inspire them with that sense of well being toward all mankind, to the end that all men may learn that Masonry stands for the worship of God; for truth and justice; liberty and enlightenment; fraternity and charity, asking Providence to direct and prosper all our consultations for the advancement of His Glory, and that all things may be ordered and settled upon the best and surest foundations, that Peace and Happiness may be established among men.

NEW MEXICO, Grand Master, 1951

MANITOBA RELIEF

On June 13, we received a telegram from Most Worshipful Brother Carl H. Claudy, Executive Secretary of the Masonic Service Association of the United States, appealing for financial assistance in behalf of Grand Master Harry Coddington of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba for the relief of Masons and their families due to heavy floods in his province. The suggestion was made that one cent per capita would provide sufficient funds for material assistance. The Masonic Service Association agreed to collect, transmit, audit and account for all sums sent for this relief without cost. Immediately upon receipt of this telegram, our Grand Secretary was instructed to remit the suggested amount which in our case totalled $106.20. Through the pages of The New Mexico Freemason, the request of Most Worshipful Brother Coddington was called to the attention of the various Lodges and the response was immediate in most cases. An excerpt from Brother Claudy's letter states: "In my experience this is the first time our independent Brethren to the north of us have ever asked aid of United States Grand Lodges." We, in New Mexico, were pleased to have been given an opportunity to add our comparatively small contribution to the grand total received for this purpose.

"We in America are so completely under the spell of bigness that we sometimes confuse size with strength and feel that virtue and progress are the natural outgrowth of monumental Temples, beautiful furniture, well kept surroundings and extended membership rolls. In some instances we are so busy taking in members that we have forgotten to make Masons of them. They are given the degrees, instructed in at least two proficiency lectures, and turned loose to discover for themselves something of our history, our landmarks, our high purpose and ultimate destination. If there is weakness in numbers in our Society of Freemasons, the fault is ours. We do not take the time to ground them in the elemental truths that have brought us successfully through an age-old and time-honored past. Englightenment and education are the strength of governments and the hope and future of our institution."

NEW SOUTH WALES, Grand Master, 1951

The principles of Freemasonry are not secret. Freemasonry demands of its votaries a belief in God. Having met that requirement, no man is denied membership because of his religious faith, be what it may. Thus the Order supplies an Altar at which all men who believe in God may kneel together before their common Creator. On this foundation it strives to bring about the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of all men. To accomplish this, it teaches those fundamental rules of morality and virtue which men must observe to realise that ideal.

Masonry decries all animosities of creed against creed, race against race, nation against nation, class against class, or man against man, as destructive of its ultimate objective. It will not engage in, or permit discussion in its Temples, of sectarian religious teachings, partisan political doctrines, or national policies. Its sole method of accomplishing its mission is by educating and training the minds and hearts of its votaries. Its kingdom is in the souls of men.

NORTH DAKOTA, Grand Master, 1951

My brethren: The tenets of our profession are Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth. Every Entered Apprentice hears these words. Two words in that statement are rarely fully understood—the words "tenets" and "profession." Cast into simpler language the statement says: We are to hold fast to that to which we are bound by a vow—namely, Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth.

We make much of our devotion to Brotherly Love. We lose no opportunity to practice Relief. Do we fully realize that we are as equally bound to Truth as to Brotherly Love and Relief? The noun "truth" and its adjective "true" are as easily formed by the lips yet only incompletely grasped by the mind. A great modern teacher has said, "many persons of otherwise simple hearts are snatching at words half understood in order to bedeck their thoughts." Our ritual is bedecked with many half-understood words.

Even when we do our best job of instruction we do it with the tool of language. Language is not something we can easily take apart—every word in it tends to mean something just a little bit different to every person using it. In short, words are a part of ourselves.

"A casual glance at the word "truth" reveals that it comes from the word "true"—truth has a sister word—"troth"—you know that sister word—for as married men you pledged your "troth." Tracing the meaning of the word "true" back through its long history we find that it carries the idea of fidelity, of faith, of troth, and of trust—nay more of steadfastness and loyalty to friends. The author of a recent Short Talk Bulletin reminds us that truth as used in the degrees of Freemasonry has an even higher meaning—it seeks, "the ultimate foundation of knowledge—the verities." No phrase in our ritual has ever meant more to me than that early phrase defining Freemasonry as "a regular system of morality which will unfold its beauties to the candid and industrious inquirer." The candid inquirer after truth erases all prejudices and preconceived notions from the white sheet upon which he records his observations, works hard and persistently at the job—the beauties of truth are revealed to him. Many years ago our ancient brother Benjamin Franklin wrote in his "Autobiography"—"I grew convinced that truth, sincerity and integrity in dealings between man and man were of the utmost to the felicity of life." Franklin quotes St. Paul's splendid tribute to truth as recorded in the 8th verse of the 4th chapter of the Letter to the Philippians:

"Finally brethren, whatsoever things are true, honest, just, lovely, or of good report, if there be any virtue or any praise, think on these things." So devoted was Franklin to the words just quoted that he refused to sit longer under a minster of the gospel whose sermon on this text covered only the outward forms of religion without arriving at the deeper truth in St. Paul's message."

"Truth is not always welcomed. Sinister forces wage continual war against its full revelation. Whenever discouraged in our search for truth in any field, we may take comfort in a little known poem from the pen of the good gray Quaker poet, John Greenleaf Whittier. The poem, "Barclay of Ury," relates the story of the persecution by the rabble of the Laird of Ury as the noble Laird rode his horse on his way to his Gethsemane, imprisonment in Tolbooth prison. The Laird of Ury was proffered the sword of a friend to defend himself—but refused it—Whittier puts these words into the Laird's mouth:

"Happy he whose inward ear
Angel comfortings can hear,
O'er the rabble's laughter;
And while Hatred's fagots burn
Glimpses through the smoke discern
Of the good hereafter."

NOVA SCOTIA, Grand Master, 1951

I have been impressed by the zeal and generosity of the brethren, and everywhere I was received with kindness and genuine Masonic hospitality. In these uncertain days of international mistrust and suspicion, it has been inspiring to be associated with a group of men so devoted to the fraternity; men who remember the great duties, to God, to our neighbour, and to ourselves, that as Masons we are charged to inculcate.

This above all; to thine ownself be true;
and it must follow as the night the day,
Thou canst not then be false to any man.

From my observations and visitations throughout this year, I am sure that the brethren of this jurisdiction are practising their Freemasonry in their daily lives and it was on that theme that I undertook the office of Grand Master one year ago—Practical Freemasonry. In all my talks to the brethren, I have endeavoured to define these great duties in practical terms of everyday living and to comment also on the necessity for observing the practice of those commendable virtues, Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth. The Blue lodge is the corner stone of the Masonic fraternity and I believe the brethren of this jurisdiction who today are absorbing there a knowledge of the high principles on which this ancient Order is founded, are doing things outside the lodge that they are taught inside. May the Great Architect of the Universe continue to bless them all and our brethren everywhere.

NOVA SCOTIA, Board of Jurisprudence, 1951

Maple Leaf Lodge No. 88 asks. Q.—"Can a Brother who received his E.A. degree some time ago and now requires to use a hearing aid, receive his Second and Third Degrees?"

A.—The rulings of Grand Lodge are clear (Book of Annotations p. 56-57), that where an accident or change in the physical condition of a candidate occurs after the election, it does not prevent advancement. I do not consider dispensation necessary.

Tyrian Youth Lodge No. 45. Q.—A ballot was taken on a candidate. After the ballot box was presented to the Junior and Senior Wardens who found the ballot cloudy. It was then presented to the Master, who, however, examined the wrong end of the ballot box and found it cloudy. There being more than one black ball in the wrong end of the box, the Master decided that no second ballot could be taken and declared the candidate rejected. Following the closing of the Lodge the Master discovered that he had examined the wrong end of the box and applied to me for authority to reballot after proper notice.

A.—I ordered a new ballot on the application.

OKLAHOMA, Grand Master, 1951

I will also make some observations and suggestions of my own.

First, I would mention Freemasonry in its present world-wide opportunity (or obligation) to cure some of the ills of a shrinking globe that is fast drifting toward communistic government and toward atheism. No other fraternal organization is so nearly universal as ours, and none more democratic in its ideals or so fitted to bring order out of chaos by drawing men together on a high moral plane. This work must be done in the individual workings of the hearts of men, without official recognition from the Masons of duly constituted bodies. One has only to review the vast number of distinguished members of the Order scattered throughout the world to believe that Masonry can add much to leaven to the diplomatic loaf. Leaders in our government head a long roster of statesmen and military men from many nations who have come to prize the Square and Compasses above any of their other decorations, and this cannot fail to exert a benign influence around any conference table.

That is speaking internationally, and it is not probable that our opinions expressed here will have a very potent influence on world affairs. Here at home, however, we have a situation in which the correction is entirely our own problem. For a long time we have been living in an era of corporate and individual selfishness, during which honest work has been considered somewhat degrading and something to be avoided. There is a constant demand for "something for nothing" that ignores completely the Masonic concept of labor before refreshment, and which makes a mockery of our emblematic working tools. We should unite in combatting this very un-American idea and use the ballot box intelligently in a non-partisan way aside from fundamental party issues. The political labels that identified our grandfathers must occasionally be changed to apply to the correction of current problems.

Freemasonry has for centuries commanded the respect and gradually gained the affections of the good people in all walks of life. Being the oldest and strongest of all fraternal organizations, it is only natural that "the greatest and best men in all ages have been promoters and encouragers of the art." But, unfortunately, Masonry also attracts the unworthy as well as the worthy, the evil as well as the good. While each candidate must sign a petition stating that "he is prompted to solicit this privilege by a favorable opinion conceived of the institution, a desire for knowledge and a sincere wish to be serviceable to his fellow creatures," some are prompted by curiosity and others are biased by friends or influenced by mercenary motives. No Lodge should, therefore, open its doors to any candidate for the honors of Masonry whose habits are not fully formed and whose character is not firmly fixed, and then only when his habits and character are thoroughly examined and completely known. His home environment and family life should be thoroughly checked, as well as his physical qualifications, his capability of honestly acquiring the means of subsistence, his place and kind of employment and, of course, his moral qualifications. Masonry is not a place where base and evil men are to be admitted for the purpose of reformation. Men who are basically good can be improved, just as the Fellow Craft converts the rough stone into the perfect ashlar; but those who are naturally of evil heart and mind should be rejected as unfit for the builder's use.

Although many petitioners, in these days of inflation and cheap money, have no Masonic background, no particular qualifications for membership and little conception of what Freemasonry really is, and although the increase in membership during recent years is far above normal, the bars have not been let down in our Grand Jurisdiction. The records reveal that many petitioners are rejected, and the general opinion is that the caliber and reputation of the new Masons of this day and generation are at least equal to those of former periods.

A policy of strict adherence to the fundamental laws of Masonry has been followed this year. I am not so pessimistic as to believe that a preponderance of new members are inherently bad and that Freemasonry is doomed because it is increasing in numbers. During certain periods young and middle-aged men in every community who had long had the desire, and who were prepared in their hearts, did not apply for Masonry because of financial reasons. Conditions have changed for them, and the Lodges are reaping the harvest.

There still remains the question of "education and assimilation," which is already receiving the careful attention of the best minds and ablest leaders among the Craft everywhere, and if the officers of each Lodge and the leaders in each district will plan programs of improvement, with special provisions for the education of new members, we can face the future full of confidence and hope.

All these things are, of course, matters pertaining to the working of Masonry in general which are not peculiar to any Lodge or Jurisdiction. I could continue with many repetitions of facts in praise of our Order that you already know, I could emphasize our obligations to God, to our country and to our fellow men but will pass on now to a report of what has been done for the good of the Order by this administration.

OREGON, Grand Master, 1951

The District Deputy Grand Masters have a most important place in our program, and their duties should be undertaken with the knowledge that they must assume responsibility and give freely of energy and time. I wish to report work well done by this year's group of workers. Appointments are for the year of assignment only and, following an adopted plan of P.G.M. Walter Ransom, have been for a maximum period of three years. This plan has been kept in operation since that time with only one exception. No recommendation is suggested regarding this plan for succeeding Grand Masters, as results are debatable.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, Grand Master, 1951

The Masonic tie that binds each and everyone of us again brings us to gather in this our 35th Annual Communication. To you all I extend our sincerest and most brotherly welcome.

In this unhappy world of ours, threatened as it is by those actively seeking the destruction of its free institutions, it is indeed consoling to think that in spite of all there are still persons or constituencies who would not yield to these seemingly overwhelming forces, who would not willingly see these institutions die. In these challenging times our Masonic fraternity becomes the hope that lies behind the prostration of every good ideal.

Upon such a consciousness the matter of our being assembled here is filled with great significance. We are here to dedicate our thoughts and unify our actions so that in a manner of speaking, we would never be caught napping in any undue indifference.

More than ever the world needs the concerted efforts of all Freemasons, guardians of humanity's freedoms and fighters in their cause.

The challenge to be met is big. But we are not to cower in the immensity of the task even as it grows bigger and bigger before us. In the true traditions of Masons which records of undaunted men are many of the soul filling stories of mankind, we draw inspiration from the lessons they teach that a fight for a good cause cannot fail.

The good fight is ours and we have to uphold it. The solid determination to carry it on and succeed is, I believe a fitting thought for our endeavours.

As I welcome you let me enjoin everyone in praying that the ideals we cherish, with God's grace attending, will not be alone for ours, our families, our nations to enjoy but for all the rest of mankind.

RHODE ISLAND, Grand Master, 1951

MANITOBA RELIEF

On June 13, 1950, I received the following telegram from the Masonic Service Association of the United States:

"Most Worshipful Harry Coddington, Grand Master, Manitoba, appeals for aid to all United States Grand Lodges through this Association to help his stricken Grand Lodge relieve the great suffering caused by tremendous floods in his Province. Not setting any quota, suggest that if in your wisdom your Grand Lodge could contribute one cent per capita sufficient funds would be raised for material assistance. We will collect, transmit, audit and account for all sums sent us for Manitoba, paying all expenses so that every penny of contribution will go to relieve the thousands of homeless and destitute Masons of Manitoba. Regards.

[s] Carl H. Claudy
The Masonic Service Association
700 10th St., N.W., Washington, D.C."

This Grand Lodge established in November, 1914, an Emergency Fund to be used for the relief of distress arising from flood, fire or other disaster, to be drawn upon by the Grand Master when in his judgment the exigency requires.

The balance of this fund, in the Peoples Savings Bank, Providence, was $164.78 and an order was issued for its withdrawal, and on June 21, 1950, a check in the amount of $170.00 was forwarded to the Masonic Service Association for transmittal to Grand Master Harry Coddington, of flood stricken Manitoba.

SASKATCHEWAN, Grand Master, 1951

The evidences of material prosperity about us indicate that we and our fellow Canadians are very fortunate in that respect at least. Indeed, were it not for the war clouds which darken the horizon of our international life, we should feel that all is well. It seems evident, however, that much yet remains to be done to make this world "safe for democracy"—to use the words of the late Woodrow Wilson. Rearmament to oppose and prevent aggression and to protect our way of life, is proceeding feverishly and is, at the same time, threatening price stability through inflationary pressures.

These conditions invite an examination of our position in relation to other countries and an appraisal of the rectitude of our own conduct. Mankind has evolved through the centuries from primitive tribal conditions to national status and is groping and grasping for something larger and better than we now have in international relationships with, perhaps a consciousness of failure to exemplify brotherhood adequately in the broader sphere of human association. And I think we must admit that neither we ourselves or the Western nations have discharged our responsibility to "walk justly and uprightly before God and man." We can find ample cause to condemn those who differ from us in ideology and in form of government; but we should also examine our own record. Those who believe, as we profess, in man's accountability to God, may see in the present disturbed condition of nations and peoples evidence that the judgments of God are being executed in the world and will continue to be executed until the principles of the square, the level and the plumb rule are universally accepted and practiced. If we have erred or neglected our duty, it is I think because of failure to apply the principles of our Craft and not because the principles of brotherly love, relief and truth are ineffective.

Honorary Memberships Conferred

On Motion of M.W. Bros. Douglas Fraser and Mark Musk it was unanimously resolved that, pursuant to the provisions of Section 7 of the Constitution, "In recognition of eminence, ability and service rendered," there be conferred on the following Brethren the rank and distinction, respectively, as follows: M.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe of Winnipeg, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Honorary Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan; R.W. Bro. Harry E. Howard of Calgary, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, Honorary Past Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan.

SCOTLAND, Foreign and Colonial Committee, 1951

A Joint Conference of representatives from the United Grand Lodge of England, The Grand Lodge of Ireland and The Grand Lodge of Scotland was held in London on February 8th and 9th, 1951. The members of the Conference discussed in great detail the question of recognition of Grand Lodges throughout the world, and in particular the position of Freemasonry in Israel. With regard to Israel, it is confidently expected that as a result of our Conference the United Grand Lodge of England and Grand Lodge of Ireland will take no exception to the Grand Lodge of Scotland acting as sponsors of a sovereign Grand Lodge to be established in Israel, the nucleus of which would be the existing Scottish Lodges in that country. The Conference viewed with great concern the attitude which is being adopted by certain Grand Lodges regarding the basic principles and ancient landmarks of the Order.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA, Board of General Purposes, 1950

LETTER "G"

In 1929 it came under notice that in some Lodges, printed paper serviettes, displaying a design of the letter "G" within a square and compasses, were being used at the Festive Board. Lodges were informed that the Board considers the letter "G" of too great significance to Freemasons to be used for serviette purposes and that such serviettes must not be used. Lately several instances have occurred where the above requirements has been contravened and the attention of all Lodges is again directed to the prohibition of the improper use of the sacred symbol.

SOUTH CAROLINA, Grand Master, 1951

TO HELP, AID AND ASSIST MANITOBA, CANADA

On June 9th, 1950, a call came through the Masonic Service Association for help to aid those who had been caused to suffer from the great floods in Manitoba, Canada. Upon instructions from the Grand Master, a check for $500.00 was sent by our Grand Lodge. The report of the Masonic Service Association shows that a total of $18,045.44 was contributed, all of which has been turned over to the Grand Lodge of Manitoba. The Grand Master and others in Manitoba have shown in many ways their deep appreciation for the assistance rendered by the Fraternity.

SOUTH DAKOTA, Grand Master, 1951

Masonic Education. Today's candidate is the one upon whom future responsibility in Masonry will rest. To meet this challenge the candidate should receive the benefit of the best work we are capable of performing in conferring degrees. And, if the newly made brother is given an opportunity to learn and give a lecture, or take an active part in our ritual, his enthusiasm will increase and Masonry will prosper.

OPINIONS AND DECISIONS

TASMANIA, Board of General Purposes, 1951

3. The Full Board has issued the following instructions to Subordinate Lodges during the period under review:

(*a*) Owing to the confidential nature of information contained in Lodge notices (especially re Candidates), these must in future be sent out in sealed envelopes.

(*b*) Following upon an agreement with all other Grand Lodges of Australasia and New Zealand, Dual Raisings will not be allowed in future. Two Candidates may be taken together up to the end of the Exhortation, when one should be retired. The remaining Brother is then put through the Raising.

(*c*) Candidature of Aliens. The Board has decided that the residential period for Aliens desiring to join the Craft shall be five years, and that each proposition must first be referred to the Board.

In the case of Alien Brethren desiring affiliation, the five-year period may be waived, but each case shall be dealt with individually by the Board.

UTAH, Grand Master, 1951

One of the most important duties of the members and officers of any Lodge is the education and training of its new members. The simple background and history of the Craft, its philosophy, the significance of its symbolism and even its enemies are absolutely necessary for intelligent Masonry. Sociability and fraternalism is not the end of Freemasonry. We must have a basis and reason for our belief.

VIRGINIA, Grand Master, 1951

RELIEF TO A SISTER GRAND LODGE

On June 13, 1950, I was advised by the Executive Secretary of The Masonic Service Association, Most Worshipful Brother Carl H. Claudy, that the Grand Lodge of Manitoba was in need of immediate financial help to meet emergencies brought on by a disastrous flood. The Grand Lodge of Manitoba has 106 lodges with 13,250 members and the Grand Master of that Grand Jurisdiction stated that he could not begin to estimate the damage caused by the flood. I authorized payment by the Grand Treasurer of the sum of $500.00 as the contribution of this Grand Lodge toward the relief of that Grand Jurisdiction.

WYOMING, Grand Master, 1951

Masonic history tells us of the part that our Masonic forefathers had in the work of formulating the principles of government which have made this the greatest country on earth. We know that the men who were instrumental in the formation of a government "of the people, for the people, by the people" were largely Freemasons. We are, indeed, proud of these great Masons, and we are sure that they must have, in their declining years, enjoyed the happy reflections consequent upon a well-spent life, and died in the hope of a glorious immortality.

Our Masonic forefathers, who did so much in the formation of the government of this great country of ours, have passed on to us a great heritage, and a tremendous responsibility. And there, my Brothers, are the designs that are laid out for us on our Masonic trestle-board. To carry out the fine principles of government, to see that the Freedoms that are written into our Constitution are not lost to future generations, it is the duty of each of us to accept such assignments of responsibility as are now, every day, being given to citizens of this great nation."

It is my opinion that it is the duty of Masons everywhere to be more interested in the affairs of government; in politics, as relates to the science of government, to the end that our state and nation will have better government.

"If everyone of the over three million Masons in America should carry into the world of politics, economics, and citizenship the principles and usages he recognizes and conforms to in the lodge, Masonry could do more than all other combined influences to convert our country into an ideal republic where justice, equity and fraternity would replace ignorance, vice, poverty, bitterness and strife."

"The challenge to Masonry to accept these responsibilities that have been handed down to us since the very beginning of this country is great. And it is only by so accepting these duties that we may be rightly considered 'just and upright Masons,' and then, when our work on earth is done, we may be accepted as living stones for that spiritual building, eternal in the heavens."

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On receipt of this copy the Master will arrange to have such portions of the Address of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, and the District Deputy Grand Master of the District, as he may desire, read at the first Regular Meeting of the Lodge thereafter. He should also arrange for the reading of the reports, or extracts therefrom, of the Standing Committees, at subsequent Meetings

(F. Caird Inglis) *(Edinburgh)*

Initiated in the Navy Lodge No. 2612, E.C., on 2nd. December 1919. Affiliated to Lodge Glamis, No. 99, Forfarshire, Scotland, on 2nd June 1936. Installed as Grand Master Mason of Scotland at the Bi-Centenary Communication of Grand Lodge on 30th. November 1936.

M.W. BRO. GORDON A. McMORRAN
Grand Master 1952-1953

SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

Grand Lodge of Manitoba,

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CEREMONY OF CONSECRATION AND CONSTITUTION OF HARRY WOODS LODGE

No. 164

In the Village of Lundar, Province of Manitoba, and within the Community Hall, the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons met at 8.00 o'clock in the evening of August 28th, 1952, pursuant to notice given for the purpose of Consecration and Constitution of Harry Woods Lodge Under Dispensation.

After the Lodge had been opened by the Worshipful Master of Harry Woods Lodge in the Master Mason Degree, M.W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran, Grand Master, and the Grand Lodge Officers entered the Lodge Room and were welcomed. The M.W. Grand Master was invited to the East where he assumed the gavel.

There were present, with the Grand Master M.W. Brother Gordon A. McMorran, the following Grand Lodge Officers:

M.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe (93)	I.P. Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray (141)	Deputy Grand Master
M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly (138)	Senior Grand Warden (Acting)
R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett (121)	Junior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat (139)	Grand Treasurer (Acting)
R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson (3)	Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. E. L. White (131)	Grand Chaplain (Acting)
R.W. Bro. D. Rothstein (141)	Grand Director of Ceremonies
R.W. Bro. F. M. Bastin (139)	Senior Grand Deacon (Acting)
V.W. Bro. A. G. Barron (29)	Junior Grand Deacon
R.W. Bro. Matt. Ferguson (137)	Senior Grand Steward (Acting)
V.W. Bro. H. W. Cooper (136)	Junior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. David Mitchell (10)	Grand Pursuivant
W. Bro. A. E. Boyle (114)	Grand Tyler (Acting)
R.W. Bro. Wm. Bird (154)	District Deputy Grand Master

R.W. Bro. Wm. Bird, District Deputy Grand Master, presented a request to the Grand Master for the Ceremony of Consecration and Constitution of the lodge as a regular Chartered Lodge, and the M.W. Grand Master signified his willingness to proceed with the Ceremony.

The Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson then read the Charter and the Grand Director of Ceremonies, R.W. Bro. D. Rothstein was asked to retire accompanied by the

Ark Bearers with the Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bro. H. H. Gray as bearer of the Vessel of Corn, the Acting Senior Grand Warden, M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly as bearer of the Vessel of Wine and the Junior Grand Warden, R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett as bearer of the Vessel of Oil, to bring in the instruments of Consecration and in a most impressive manner, Harry Woods Lodge No. 164 was Consecrated and Constituted.

The symbols were then removed, after which, W. Bro. A. V. Olson was installed in full form as the first Worshipful Master of the Lodge and the following Officers were invested with the jewel of their several Offices and installed into those Offices:

W.Bro. A. V. Olson	Worshipful Master
Bro. W. G. Halldorson	Senior Warden
Bro. D. McFadyen	Junior Warden
Bro. J. A. C. Parker	Treasurer
W.Bro. G. J. Breckman	Secretary
Bro. H. W. Elwell	Chaplain
Bro. G. Paulson	Senior Deacon
Bro. O. Johnson	Junior Deacon
Bro. Jas. Spittal	Senior Steward
Bro. W. F. Breckman	Junior Steward
W.Bro. H. S. Rutherford	Director of Ceremonies
Bro. A. J. Erlendson	Inner Guard
Bro. H. O. Hallson	Tyler

The M.W. Grand Master then addressed the gathering briefly first of all offering his good wishes to the Worshipful Master, Officers and Members of the new Lodge, pointing out as Freemasons they could exercise a great influence in their Community by putting into practice in their every day living, the high ideals of the Craft. He asked that they consider the youth of the Community, our Citizens of Tomorrow, and suggested they try to adopt as an activity outside of the Lodge, supervision of youth groups. He stated that this would give the young people in the Community an association with men who, because of their Craft membership, were of the finest character, and would undoubtedly have beneficial results in the future.

W. Bro. Olson and his Officers closed Harry Woods Lodge No. 164, severally in the Master Mason, Fellow Craft and Entered Apprentice Degrees, in due form.

An informal luncheon concluded the evening.

Thos. Jackson

Grand Secretary.

SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

Grand Lodge of Manitoba,

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INTERNATIONAL AREA MEETING AT LANGDON, NORTH DAKOTA

Pursuant to Special invitation from M.W. Bro. Edward J. Franta, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota, the M.W. Grand Master with his Officers attended an Area Meeting being held in the Masonic Temple at Langdon, North Dakota, at 8.00 p.m. on Monday, May 11th, 1953.

After the Area Meeting had been opened, Most Worshipful Brother Gordon A. McMorran, with his Officers were received in due form and given a cordial welcome by M.W. Bro. E. J. Franta, on his own behalf, and also of the members present, after which he requested M.W. Brother Gordon A. McMorran to assume the gavel, who then requested his Officers to assume their respective stations when a Special Communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba was opened in Ample Form at 8.30 p.m. The invocation was given by R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat (139), Acting Grand Chaplain.

PRESENT

M.W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran (27)	Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray (141)	Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans (113)	Senior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett (121)	Junior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson (3)	Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat (139)	Grand Chaplain (Acting)
M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4)	Grand Historian
R.W. Bro. D. Rothstein (141)	Grand Director of Ceremonies
V.W. Bro. McLaren Ewart (27)	Senior Grand Deacon
R.W. Bro. H. S. Perdue (158)	Junior Grand Deacon (Acting)
M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe (93)	Senior Grand Steward (Acting)
M.W. Bro. S. Burland (12)	Junior Grand Steward (Acting)
V.W. Bro. Lyall McMorran (104)	Grand Pursuivant (Acting)
V.W. Bro. J. D. McDougall (110)	Grand Tyler

After expressing his appreciation of the welcome given the Grand Lodge Officers and the large number of brethren who had travelled in adverse weather conditions from numerous lodges in various parts of Manitoba, he called upon R.W.

Bro. H. H. Gray, Deputy Grand Master, and R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson, Grand Secretary, respectively, for some remarks, both of whom made reference to the special significance of the occasion and expressed the thanks of all visiting brethren for the splendid arrangements which had been made for our comfort.

The meeting was then called from Labor to Refreshment during which period a dramatic presentation of the Masonic Play "A Rose upon the Altar" was given by the following members of the Winnipeg '44 Club:

R.W. Bro. J. Reid Glenn (Pres.)
R.W. Bro. Matthew Ferguson
R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat
R.W. Bro. David Mackay
W. Bro. Thos. Gilchrist
R.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray
R.W. Bro. W. F. Kerby
R.W. Bro. David Milliken
W. Bro. Thos. H. Clark
W. Bro. E. Fitz Munn

Labor resumed at approximately 10.15 p.m. when M.W. Bro. McMorran in a short talk with respect to the furtherance of our Masonic Brotherhood as between our peoples North and South of the Border and that the two Historical Meetings which had taken place, one at Souris, Manitoba, on Friday, May 1st, 1953, when M.W. Bro. E. J. Franta and his Officers of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota had opened a Special Communication of their Grand Lodge at an International Area Meeting and now on this occasion when the Grand Lodge of Manitoba had held a Special Communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba at Langdon, North Dakota, should do much towards bringing us closer together.

The purpose of the Special Communication of the Grand Lodge having been completed, the Grand Chaplain led the brethren in prayer and Grand Lodge was then closed in Ample Form by the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Gordon A. McMorran, at 11.00 p.m., who then returned the gavel to M.W. Brother E. J. Franta who spoke very feelingly with respect to the two historic occasions above mentioned and expressed his appreciation to the members of the '44 Club for the very fine presentation of the Masonic Play, which he felt gave much food for thought to all the members who had witnessed it.

Thos. Jackson

Grand Secretary.

Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

1953

SEVENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

In the Royal Alexandra Hotel, in the City of Winnipeg, Manitoba, the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, met in the Seventy-eighth Annual Communication.

Grand Lodge was opened in Ample Form at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon of June 3rd, by the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Gordon A. McMorran; the Invocation was given by the Grand Chaplain, R.W. Bro. Harold L. Newton.

PRESENT

M.W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran (27), Souris	Grand Master
M.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe (93), Winnipeg	(as) Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. John R. C. Evans (113), Brandon	Senior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. Robt E. Emmett (121), St. James	Junior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4), Winnipeg	Grand Treasurer
R.W. Bro. Thos C. Jackson (3), Winnipeg	Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. Rev. H. L. Newton (19), Winnipeg	Grand Chaplain
M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4), Winnipeg	Grand Historian
R.W. Bro. David Rothstein (141), Winnipeg	G. D. of Ceremonies
V.W. Bro. McLaren Ewart (27), Souris	Senior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. A. G. Barron (29), Carberry	Junior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. Robert Wood (14), Minnedosa	Senior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. H. W. Cooper (136), Winnipeg	Junior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. F. C. Courtice (19), Brandon	Grand Organist
V.W. Bro. David Mitchell (10), Winnipeg	Grand Pursuivant
V.W. Bro. J. D. McDougall (110), Minto	Grand Tyler
R.W. Bro. R. W. Campbell (10), Winnipeg	D.D.G.M. 1st Masonic District
R.W. Bro. H. A. Lye (49), MacGregor	D.D.G.M. 2nd Masonic District
R.W. Bro. E. A. Baragar (103), Elm Creek	D.D.G.M. 3rd Masonic District
R.W. Bro. D. A. McKay (71), Crystal City	D.D.G.M. 4th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. John Fleming (14), Minnedosa	D.D.G.M. 5th Masonic District

R.W. Bro. Walter Brown (104), Reston	D.D.G.M.	6th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. H. S. Perdue (158), Brandon	D.D.G.M.	7th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. J. J. Tjaden (125), Sperling	D.D.G.M.	8th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. George Kelso (122), Roblin	D.D.G.M.	9th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. Wm. Bird (154), Pine Falls	D.D.G.M.	10th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. F. M. Bastin (139), Winnipeg	D.D.G.M.	12th Masonic District

LIST OF PAST GRAND MASTERS PRESENT

M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington (1)
M.W. Bro. Norman J. Black (3)
M.W. Bro. William Douglas (4)
M.W. Bro. Chas E. Cole (7)
M.W. Bro. Stanley H. Fahrni (11)
M.W. Bro. Samuel Burland (12)
M.W. Bro. William D. Lawrence (25)
M.W. Bro. James S. MacEwing (51)
M.W. Bro. Walter C. McDonald (70)
M.W. Bro. David S. Woods (90)
M.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe (93)
M.W. Bro. Maurice S. Donovan (113)
M.W. Bro. Royal Burritt (130)
M.W. Bro. Harry B. Donnelly (138)

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W. Bro. A. J. Ryckman.............W.M.
Bro. R. K. Adams.....................S.W.
Bro. W. Throp..........................J.W.

M.W. Bro. H. Coddington
V.W. Bro. J. D. McKinlay
V.W. Bro. W. K. Mulock
W. Bro. J. T. Corrie
W. Bro. J. E. Fraser
W. Bro. H. J. Harrod
W. Bro. M. M. McElheran
W. Bro. G. H. Warren

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R.W. Bro. R. S. Montgomery
R.W. Bro. John Norquay
V.W. Bro. W. H. Shead
W. Bro. Geo. Goodwin

ANCIENT LANDMARK LODGE NO. 3

W. Bro. W. A. Little....................W.M.
Bro. C. J. Scott.........................J.W.

M.W. Bro. N. J. Black
R.W. Bro. J. C. Grant
R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson
W. Bro. Forbes Adam
W. Bro. C. S. Coates
W. Bro. P. G. Hawkins
W. Bro.W. F. Hutton
W. Bro. S. J. Sametz

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Bro. W. L. Milne........J.W.

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R.W. Bro. A. G. Cowan
R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy
R.W. Bro. A. S. McCann
R.W. Bro. W. Percy White
V.W. Bro. W. C. Birt
V.W. Bro. T. L. Dodsworth
W. Bro. E. H. Brown
W. Bro. A. A. MacDonald
W. Bro. C. E. Mansell
W. Bro. B. S. Parker
W. Bro. G. W. Reed
W. Bro. J. L. Rill
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R.W. Bro. A. Moffitt
W. Bro. K. C. R. Coulter
W. Bro. T. W. Shields
W. Bro. W. H. Storms
W. Bro. H. Templeton
W. Bro. C. C. Thomson

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R.W. Bro. A. J. Sawatzky
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R.W. Bro. M. S. Watson
V.W. Bro. D. Mitchell
W. Bro. M. J. Marshall
W. Bro. W. R. Morrison
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W. Bro. M. M. Good
W. Bro. M. R. Good
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W. Bro. H. K. Hutson
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R.W. Bro. H. L. Newton
V.W. Bro. F. C. Courtice
W. Bro. J. J. Wall
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W. Bro. J. A. Davidson
W. Bro. J. F. Irwin
W. Bro. D. E. Pollock
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W. Bro. J. M. Davies
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W. Bro. E. L. Hardie
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V.W. Bro. C. F. Anderson
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		W. Bro. P. Dupasquier
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W. Bro. G. S. Mutch
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W. Bro. A. E. Ritchie
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W. Bro. W. D. Griggs
W. Bro. D. G. McMillan

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W. Bro. Wm. Dickson
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SWAN LAKE LODGE NO. 109

W. Bro. N. E. King..............W.M.

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Bro. R. E. Fleming..............S.W.

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ACACIA LODGE NO. 111

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W. Bro. T. S. Copland
W. Bro. J. Harvey
W. Bro. R. Holms
W. Bro. H. Purton
W. Bro. C. Ross
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W. Bro. A. C. Slessor
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W. Bro. J. W. Hall
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R.W. Bro. H. E. Hopkins
R.W. Bro. D. MacDonald
W. Bro. R. E. Gullett
W. Bro. J. A. McPhail
W. Bro. R. D. Saunders

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Bro. W. J. Thorogood........J.W.

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W. Bro. T. G. Beatson
W. Bro. Geo. Clark
W. Bro. J. Keller
W. Bro. J. C. Macdonald
W. Bro. E. H. Pascoe
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W. Bro. S. V. Basley
W. Bro. R. J. Cordy
W. Bro. W. S. Marley
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W. Bro. R. Wood
W. Bro. J. Wylie

ROBLIN LODGE NO. 122

R.W. Bro. George Kelso
R.W. Bro. F. Starr

TRANSCONA LODGE NO. 123

W. Bro. G. A. Law........W.M.
Bro. H. J. MacKay........S.W.
Bro. A. Bowers........J.W.

W. Bro. R. I. Esselmont
W. Bro. E. E. Buckley

THE PAS LODGE NO. 124

W. Bro. W. M. Monro.................W.M.

PATRICIA LODGE NO. 125

Bro. W. G. Last.........................S.W.

R.W. Bro. J. J. Tjaden
W. Bro. P. R. Jeske
W. Bro. W. G. Peckover

FAVEL LODGE NO. 126

W. Bro. E. R. S. Russenholt......W.M.
Bro. G. Hunter..........................S.W.

Bro. J. E. Burnett

EMPIRE LODGE NO. 127

W. Bro. J. E. Hall.........................W.M.
Bro. H. C. Paulley.....................S.W.
Bro. H. C. Hedgecock.............J.W.

W. Bro. A. D. Adamson
W. Bro. D. B. Hanna
W. Bro. W. Lamb
W. Bro. J. McGowan
W. Bro. A. Sinclair
W. Bro. G. Smith
W. Bro. J. W. G. Wyatt

VICTORY LODGE NO. 128

FORT GARRY LODGE NO. 130

Bro. E. McPherson...................S.W.

M.W. Bro. Royal Burritt
R.W. Bro. G. P. Fairbairn
V.W. Bro. A. E. Duff
V.W. Bro. W. D. G. Runions
W. Bro. A. C. Fitch
W. Bro. H. H. Hawker
W. Bro. T. Gilchrist
W. Bro. M. G. McKenzie
W. Bro. A. G. Sim

KILDONAN LODGE NO. 131

Bro. R. Weatherston................S.W.

R.W. Bro. E. L. White
V.W. Bro. L. G. Barnes
W. Bro. A. H. Brotheridge
W. Bro. D. Carnegie
W. Bro. W. Inglis
W. Bro. R. C. Kirk
W. Bro. A. W. Ogston
W. Bro. W. S. Page
W. Bro. J. Rennie
W. Bro. G. H. Timbers

SPRAGUE LODGE NO. 132

Bro. T. McCarthy.......................J.W.

McCREARY LODGE NO. 133

W. Bro. B. Angus

STONY MOUNTAIN LODGE NO. 134

W. Bro. G. W. McNeill...............W.M.
Bro. H. A. Taylor.......................S.W.
Bro. G. F. Mackie.......................J.W.

R.W. Bro. W. H. French
R.W. Bro. J. S. Wilson
W. Bro. W. H. N. Adair
W. Bro. R. F. Greene
W. Bro. Thos. Hartley
W. Bro. E. R. R. Mills
W. Bro. D. Scott

CAPITOL LODGE NO. 136

W. Bro. J. H. Bowack..........W.M.
Bro. F. J. Robertson..........S.W.
Bro. R. A. Ward..........J.W.

V.W. Bro. H. W. Cooper
W. Bro. J. P. Edgar
W. Bro. A. P. Jones
W. Bro. W. J. Law
W. Bro. G. B. Niven
W. Bro. Thos. Wilson

LORD SELKIRK LODGE NO. 137

W. Bro. D. J. Linney..........W.M.

R.W. Bro. M. Ferguson
R.W. Bro. G. R. Mackay
W. Bro. R. Aikman

WINDSOR LODGE NO. 138

W. Bro. G. L. Wilson..........W.M.
Bro. H. Pilling..........S.W.

M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly
R.W. Bro. D. Griffith
V.W. Bro. J. B. McClure
W. Bro. J. Burns
W. Bro. A. J. Horton
W. Bro. P. T. Houston
W. Bro. G. S. Marshall
W. Bro. J. F. Orr

BEAVER LODGE NO. 139

Bro. D. M. Sclanders..........S.M.
Bro. Harry Rhodes..........J.W.

R.W. Bro. F. M. Bastin
R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat
R.W. Bro. L. C. Welsh
V.W. Bro. S. W. Robertson
W. Bro. G. M. Lardner

MERIDIAN LODGE NO. 140

W. Bro. L. C. Woods..........W.M.
Bro. J. M. E. Rewcastle..........S.W.
Bro. S. Gee..........J.W.

R.W. Bro. W. D. Harper
R.W. Bro. D. Milliken
W. Bro. A. C. Cabel
W. Bro. C. Campbell
W. Bro. J. C. Dick
W. Bro. G. Kerslake
W. Bro. H. H. Lowe
W. Bro. J. Mowat
W. Bro. A. A. Reid

TUSCAN LODGE NO. 141

W. Bro. S. Rosenblat..........W.M.
Bro. S. Allen..........J.W.

R.W. Bro. D. Rothstein
V.W. Bro. N. Rothstein
W. Bro. J. J. Allen
W. Bro. E. L. Barr
W. Bro. N. C. Law

HARMONY LODGE NO. 142

MOUNT SINAI LODGE NO. 143

R.W. Bro. M. A. Nitikman
R.W. Bro. A. E. Weidman

FORT OSBORNE LODGE NO. 144

W. Bro. H. C. Cook..........W.M.
Bro. C. F. Kilpatrick..........S.W.

R.W. Bro. J. R. Glenn

STURGEON CREEK LODGE NO. 145

W. Bro. W. H. Lacy	W.M.	W. Bro. A. R. Laird

FIDELITY LODGE NO. 146

W. Bro. G. F. Cameron	W.M.	V.W. Bro. F. H. Williams
Bro. K. A. M. Sutton	S.W.	W. Bro. A. H. W. Cook
		W. Bro. S. C. Swanton

JUBILEE LODGE NO. 147

SEVEN OAKS LODGE NO. 148

W. Bro. T. Sly	W.M.	R.W. Bro. F. W. Brownell
Bro. W. R. Munroe	S.W.	R.W. Bro. A. C. Pritchard
Bro. W. R. Hayward	J.W.	W. Bro. M. Andrew
		W. Bro. J. J. Douglas
		W. Bro. G. Milne
		W. Bro. W. J. T. Pearce
		W. Bro. J. Woodmass

CARTWRIGHT LODGE NO. 150

Bro. H. J. McKay	S.W.	

THE DORMER LODGE NO. 151

W. Bro. G. L. Mills	W.M.	R.W. Bro. R. W. Ross
Bro. J. Brady	J.W.	W. Bro. A. C. Keel
		W. Bro. E. C. Sansom

FOXWARREN LODGE NO. 152

W. Bro. J. Laycock	W.M.	

FLIN FLON LODGE NO. 153

W. Bro. J. B. Kines	W.M.	R.W. Bro. W. A. Young
Bro. M. G. Laing	S.W.	

PINE FALLS LODGE NO. 154

W. Bro. J. W. Aseltine	W.M.	R.W. Bro. Wm. Bird
Bro. D. Brewster	J.W.	W. Bro. J. O. Jones

CARMAN LODGE NO. 155

W. Bro. A. Hardy	W.M.	
Bro. R. Allen	J.W.	

MANITOUWAPA LODGE NO. 156

		R.W. Bro. D. Ferguson

RICE LAKE LODGE NO. 157

W. Bro. D. J. Currie	W.M.	R.W. Bro. F. R. Sutton
		W. Bro. G. H. Lucas

FENWICK LODGE NO. 158

W. Bro. H. H. Rungay	W.M.	R.W. Bro. H. S. Perdue
Bro. H. N. Udell	S.W.	R.W. Bro. W. A. Prugh
Bro. J. Magilton	J.W.	W. Bro. R. A. Carruthers
		W. Bro. W. A. Wyborn

NEWDALE LODGE NO. 159

W. Bro. R. G. Brown	W.M.	W. Bro. J. M. Lavery
Bro. W. P. Everitt	S.W.	
Bro. J. O. Young	J.W.	

STARBUCK LODGE NO. 160

Bro. W. F. Baldwin	S.W.	W. Bro. H. W. Livingston W. Bro. M. Mills

FORT PRINCE OF WALES LODGE NO. 161

W. Bro. C. W. Brawley	W.M.	W. Bro. A. MacKenzie

ASHLAR LODGE NO. 162

W. Bro. A. E. Dagg	W.M.	
Bro. J. M. Taylor	S.W.	

CHARLESWOOD LODGE NO. 163

		W. Bro. C. E. James

HARRY WOODS LODGE NO. 164

W. Bro. W. G. Halldorson	W.M.	W. Bro. A. V. Olson
Bro. G. Paulson	S.W.	

Honorary Members:

M.W. Bro. L. H. Colson, Minn.
M.W. Bro. C. L. Jacobson, Minn.
M.W. Bro. R. W. Stanford, Minn.
M.W. Bro. C. M. Pollock, N.D.
M.W. Bro. H. S. Pond, N.D.
M.W. Bro. R. R. Twamley, S.D.
R.W. Bro. R. A. Tate, Sask.

Guests:

M.W. Bro. H. E. Howard, G.M., Alta.
M.W. Bro. G. E. Hummell, G.M., Sask.
M.W. Bro. H. T. Olson, G.M., Minn.
M.W. Bro. G. W. Christie, P.G.M., Minn.
W. Bro. C. M. Norton,
Director Masonic Service, Minn.
W. Bro. R. B. Olson, P.M., Minn.
M.W. Bro. E. J. Franta, G.M., N.D.
V.W. Bro. G. L. Paxman, G.P., N.D.

Visitors:

R.W. Bro. J. C. Lundy, Ont.
R.W. Bro. Wellington Smith, Ont.
Bro. M. H. Laing, Ont.
Bro. D. Gilmour, Sask.
W. Bro. R. A. Sanburn, Col.
W. Bro. W. Haaversen, Minn.
Bro. G. W. Sherwood, Ore.

All Master Masons wishing to enter Grand Lodge were then admitted, and assigned to special seating accommodation provided for them.

The Grand Master M.W. Brother Gordon A. McMorran, extended a welcome to all present and expressed his pleasure at the excellent attendance. He said our joy at this communication was dampened by the serious illness of our Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Brother Harry H. Gray and was sure all would wish that a message of cheer and hope for a speedy recovery be sent to him from this Opening Session of the Seventy-eighth Annual Communication. He asked the Grand Secretary to see that such a message was sent.

ADOPTING REGULATIONS

It was moved by R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson (3), seconded by M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe (93) that the Agenda and Regulations for conducting the Sessions of Grand Lodge, as printed, be adopted, subject to the wishes of the Grand Master. Carried.

The Grand Master, M.W. Brother Gordon A. McMorran requested that all brethren entering or leaving the Lodge room, give the required sign at the Altar and enter or leave only between items of business. He also reminded the brethren that all motions must be written on the forms provided for that purpose.

READING OF MINUTES

It was moved by M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe (93), seconded by M.W. Bro. H. Coddington (1) that the Minutes of the last Annual Communication and of the Special Communications of Grand Lodge as printed in the Proceedings be taken as read and confirmed. Carried.

It was moved by R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson (3), seconded by R.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4) that the Minutes of the two Special Communications of Grand Lodge, one, the Constitution of Harry Woods Lodge No. 164, and the other, the International Area Meeting held at Langdon, North Dakota, be approved. Carried.

REPORT OF NOMINATIONS

The Grand Secretary, R.W. Brother T. C. Jackson (3) reported the following nominations had been received for the Offices of Grand Lodge, and for the Board of General Purposes. He moved that the report be received, seconded by R.W. Brother J. P. Mowat (139).

Grand Master:
R.W. Bro. Harry Haggart Gray, Tuscan Lodge No. 141

Deputy Grand Master:
R.W. Bro. John Robert Charles Evans, Tweed Lodge No. 113

Senior Grand Warden:
R.W. Bro. Robert Eric Emmett, St. James Lodge No. 121

Junior Grand Warden:
R.W. Bro. Otto T. Johnson, King Solomon Lodge No. 8
R.W. Bro. Edward I. Dow, Doric Lodge No. 36
R.W. Bro. Ernest A. Baragar, Crescent Lodge No. 103
R.W. Bro. H. Stewart Perdue, Fenwick Lodge No. 158
W. Bro. J. Ferguson Irwin, Neepawa Lodge No. 24

Grand Treasurer:
R.W. Bro. W. Percy White, St. John's Lodge No. 4

Grand Secretary:
R.W. Bro. Thomas C. Jackson, Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3

Grand Chaplain:
R.W. Bro. Harold L. Newton, Brandon Lodge No. 19

Grand Historian:
M.W. Bro. William Douglas, St. John's Lodge No. 4

Grand Director of Ceremonies:
R.W. Bro. David Rothstein, Tuscan Lodge No. 141

Grand Librarian:
M.W. Bro. Harry Bingham Donnelly, Windsor Lodge No. 138

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES:

Two-year Term

W. Bro. Clark R. Hopper, Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1
R.W. Bro. John Norquay, Lisgar Lodge No. 2
R.W. Bro. Kenneth R. Kennedy, St. John's Lodge No. 4
R.W. Bro. Albert S. McCann, St. John's Lodge No. 4
W. Bro. Colin C. Thomson, Emerson Lodge No. 6
R.W. Bro. Russell W. Campbell, Northern Light Lodge No. 10
R.W. Bro. Malcolm E. MacKinnon, Temple Lodge No. 49
R.W. Bro. Frank B. Lynes, Crystal Lodge No. 71
R.W. Bro. George V. Henderson, Strathclair Lodge No. 106
R.W. Bro. Chas. A. Midwinter, Acacia Lodge No. 111
R.W. Bro. W. Albert Prugh, Tweed Lodge No. 113
R.W. Bro. Frank M. Bastin, Beaver Lodge No. 139
V.W. Bro. Nathan Rothstein, Tuscan Lodge No. 141
R.W. Bro. J. Reid Glenn, Fort Osborne Lodge No. 144

PETITIONS, APPEALS AND CORRESPONDENCE

The Grand Secretary reported he had received the following correspondence:

From: R.W. Brother Harry H. Gray, extending his regrets at being unable to be present and his hope for a profitable Communication.

From: A. J. Christie, Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, I.O.O.F.

From: Mrs. M. E. Coates, Grand Secretary, Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star.

From: Ronald E. Jones, Scribe, Winnipeg Chapter, Order of DeMolay.

All extending greetings and best wishes for a profitable Session.

Greetings and expressions of regrets for their inability to be present at this Communication were received from:

M.W. Bro. Robert Hawkins, Dauphin, Manitoba
M.W. Bro. E. T. Greenway, Crystal City, Manitoba
R.W. Bro. John H. Anderson, Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge of Minnesota
M.W. Bro. Wm. P. Sturtz, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Minnesota
M.W. Bro. C. C. Colton, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Minnesota
M.W. Bro. W. F. Holman, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Minnesota
M.W. Bro. Hon. Dr. W. J. Dunlop, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Canada (in the Province of Ontario)
R.W. Bro. Ralph N. Lodge, Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge of Montana
M.W. Bro. G. G. Hoole, Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Montana
M.W. Bro. Sam. Harris, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Alberta
M.W. Bro. Geo. F. Ellis, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Alberta
M.W. Bro. J. H. N. Morgan, Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge of British Columbia
M.W. Bro. L. Healey, Grand Master, Grand Lodge of British Columbia
R.W. Bro. E. F. Strain, Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge of South Dakota
M.W. Bro. H. W. Gill, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of North Dakota

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

On behalf of the members of the Board of General Purposes, I beg to submit the following summary of the business transacted by the Board since the last Regular Communication of Grand Lodge.

MEETING OF JUNE 5th, 1952

There were 35 members present.

The inaugural meeting of the Board was held immediately after the close of Grand Lodge. By virtue of Office, R.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray became President of the Board and R.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans, Vice-President. The following Committee was selected to strike Standing Committees: M.W. Bros. F. H. Blythe, S. Burland, H. B. Donnelly, W. D. Lawrence and W. C. McDonald.

MEETING OF JUNE 20th, 1952

The President presided with 18 members present.

The report of the Committee selected to strike Standing Committees was presented and adopted with two additions to the Committee on Research and Education. A final summary of the Andrew H. Brown estate was presented showing a total of $19,600.80 made up of cash and bonds. It was ordered that a letter of thanks be sent to M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence for his work on behalf of Grand Lodge, in the settlement of the Estate.

Embodied in the report of the Special Committee on the Masonic Flood Relief Fund presented to Grand Lodge, was the recommendation that the Board appoint a special committee to determine the final disposal of the balance of the Fund. It was moved that the President of the Board appoint said Committee.

MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 19th, 1952

The President presided with 36 members present.

M.W. Bro. and Mrs. Wm. Douglas received the congratulations of the Board on the celebration of their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary.

M.W. Bro. Blythe reported on behalf of the special Committee on the disbursement of the Masonic Flood Fund and requested additional time before making a definite proposal. The Royal Trust Company informed the Board that according to the Will of our late W. Bro. Wm. Boyd, $500.00 was to be paid to the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, and it was moved that whatever funds were received in this connection be credited to the Benevolent Endowment Fund of Grand Lodge.

A letter was received from R.W. Bro. E. G. Dixon, Secretary of the All-Canada Conference, stating that the next Conference would be in Montreal on February 19th, 20th and 21st, 1953, and the matter of suggested topics for same was left in the hands of the M.W. Grand Master. The Grand Secretary reported that tenders had been received from several firms submitting prices for new regalia for the Elected Officers of Grand Lodge and asked the direction of the Board. A Committee consisting of M.W. Bro. Coddington, R.W. Bros. Gray and Jackson was appointed with power to act.

M.W. Bro. Blythe, in his Grand Master's Address made the recommendation that the Re-allocation of Districts should be considered. This matter was discussed and referred to the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry.

Grand Master McMorran reported briefly on the Banff Conference and expressed his pleasure in the good showing made by the Manitoba Brethren —M.W. Bro. Douglas was the Main speaker, M.W. Bro. Blythe, Conference Chairman, and the other delegates from Manitoba all had assignments.

The Grand Secretary brought up Section 18 of the Constitution which deals with the attendance at the Annual Communications of Grand Representatives, stating he hoped to have some statistics for the next meeting of the Board.

The Motion adopted at the January 18th, 1952 Meeting, wherein it was resolved to re-arrange the duties of the Grand Secretary as outlined in Section 81 of the Constitution, was rescinded and referred to the Finance Committee for further study.

MEETING OF NOVEMBER 21st, 1952

R.W. Bro. Evans, Vice-President, Chairman, with 34 members present.

The Chairman announced the passing of V.W. Bro. Andrew Huddlestone. While not a member of this Board V.W. Bro. Huddlestone was appointed Junior Grand Deacon in 1947 and for many years had been a sincere and active Freemason—well known throughout our Grand Jurisdiction. An interim report was made by the Committee on Flood Fund Surplus. R.W. Bro. Jackson announced that the $500.00 has been received from the late W. Bro. Boyd's Estate. M.W. Bro. Douglas suggested that bequests of this nature be shown on a page in our Proceedings—that arrangements be made to do so in the preparation of the 1953 Proceedings and continued thereafter. The suggestion was put in the form of a motion and carried.

Having received reports on the suitability of the new Masonic Hall in East Kildonan, the Board of General Purposes gave their permission to Acacia Lodge No. 111, Kildonan Lodge No. 131 and The Dormer Lodge No. 151, to change their place of meeting.

Consideration was given to a letter from Rivers Lodge No. 115 for financial aid to enlarge their present premises to accommodate the increased attendance at meetings, due to members attending from the Canadian Army Joint Air Training Command Headquarters situated close by; while it was agreed that this particular lodge might be worthy of help, Grand Lodge had no funds available for such a purpose and it was moved that Rivers Lodge be notified to this effect.

The Grand Secretary reported that copies of the monthly bulletin, *Masonry in Manitoba* were being sent to the Grand Representatives near other Grand Lodges and that he had received a number of letters of acknowledgment and appreciation. The Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry reported on the Re-allocation of Districts and recommended that in view of the importance of the subject, a special committee be set up. It was moved that the M.W. Grand Master appoint a committee to survey the situation and bring in a report. Several proposed Amendments to the Constitution were presented and it was moved they be referred to the Committee on Constitution and Revision.

R.W. Bro. McKay enquired what Masonic Education facilities were available in our Armed Forces Service Camps. The Grand Secretary was requested to look into this and report to the next meeting of the Board. The announcement was made of the presentation of a Fifty-year Jewel by M.W. Bro. McMorran to W. Bro. A. E. Boyle, Honorary member of the Board. The members present, by enthusiastic applause, showed their appreciation for this half-century of Masonic service.

MEETING OF JANUARY 16th, 1953

The President presided with 38 members present.

The Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master and Grand Secretary were appointed by the Board as Official Delegates to the Centennial of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota.

The Grand Master announced the personnel selected to serve on the Special Committee for the Re-allocation of Districts: M.W. Bros. Fahrni, Chairman, Donovan, McDonald, Coddington and R.W. Bro. Emmett. Reporting on behalf of the Committee, M.W. Bro. Fahrni stated that the matter had been given considerable thought and progress was being made.

With respect to facilities provided for the Armed Forces by this Grand Lodge, the Grand Secretary reported that there were none available. It was therefore moved that the President of the Board appoint a special Committee to consider the steps which might be taken to facilitate associations between members of the Craft and the Armed Forces Camps and the nearby lodges.

Amendments to the Constitution were submitted by M.W. Bro. Donovan and referred to the Committee on Constitution and Revision. R.W. Bro. Emmett Chairman of the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry reported on the success of a joint meeting held with his Committee, the District Deputy Grand Masters and the members of the Committee on Research and Education, the discussion centering around the subject of which lodges, if any, were having problems, and the solution to same.

M.W. Bro. McDonald commented on a "New Masonic Temple" in Winnipeg and wondered if the Craft could look forward to the time when we could have improved Temple facilities. There was a great deal of discussion and it was generally felt that before a new building project could be commenced it was necessary for someone to take the lead and possibly the Board should make an attempt to get it started; it was moved that a committee consisting of R.W. Bro. Campbell, D.D.G.M. First Masonic District, R.W. Bro. Bastin, D.D.G.M. Twelfth Masonic District, M.W. Bro. McDonald, R.W. Bros. Percy White and Gray act as a Committee to consider the problem of building a new Temple for the Craft of Manitoba and initiate action to that end.

The Board approved of the application for Restoration from a party who had been suspended for Un-Masonic Conduct.

MEETING OF MARCH 27th, 1953

The President presided with 33 members present.

M.W. Bro. Blythe submitted a report on behalf of the Committee on Flood Fund Surplus and summarized their findings as follows:

"Your Committee, after examining all available facts, including the terms and conditions attached to the contributions, are of the opinion that considering what has already been accomplished by the Fund, those terms and conditions can best be met and would fairly be met by devoting the surplus to the relief of the effect of the disaster or disasters which in the future, may occur and which may endanger the welfare or existence of the Masonic Fraternity in Manitoba or any of its constituent lodges or brethren. Your Committee therefore recommends:

"1. That there be set up 'THE MASONIC DISASTER RELIEF FUND' into which should be paid the said surplus of $22,590.96, together with any further contributions, accretions from whatever source, including income from investment of such Fund.

"2. That a Committee be set up to administer such Fund on lines similar to those on which the Benevolent Committee functions, but with additional power to expend capital.

"3. That the said Committee should be comprised of not less than three or more than five well-skilled and experienced permanent members of the Board, resident in Manitoba.

"4. That once in office, the membership of the Committee, so long as they are resident in Manitoba, should remain in office from year to year unless and until removed by the Board.

"5. The Board should name the Committee, designate the Chairman and fill vacancies as they occur.

"6. That the Committee function on its own authority, considering and investigating all applications placed before it with full and final authority to decide

(*a*) What constitutes a disaster for the purpose of the Fund.
(*b*) The relief, if any, to be given.
(*c*) How, when and to whom relief be given, and to pay out monies from said Fund accordingly.
(*d*) That a majority of the Committee be required to make all decisions.

"7. That the Corpus of the Fund should be invested by the Committee on Investments, and kept invested in Dominion of Canada Bonds, so as to be available for reasonably quick conversion at the call of the said 'Masonic Disaster Relief Fund' Committee.

"8. That the Committee report to the Board as required and make an annual report to Grand Lodge in the same manner as does the Committee on Benevolence.

"9. That the Committee continue in full force and effect, so long as the funds have not been exhausted.

"10. That the necessary amendments if any, to the Constitution be made to provide for the proper function of this Committee and Fund."

After the reception of the report, M.W. Bro. Blythe moved, seconded by M.W. Bro. Donovan, that the President of the Board appoint a Nominating Committee to recommend personnel for the "Masonic Disaster Relief Fund Committee" and report back to the Board. Carried.

M.W. Bro. Douglas reported on behalf of the delegation attending the Centennial of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota and the delegates were heartily in accord with his remarks on "an Outstanding Event." He also reported on the presentation made by M.W. Bro. McMorran on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, the gift being an historical manuscript, suitably bound, containing details of the relationship of the Grand Lodges of Minnesota and Manitoba.

The M.W. Grand Master, reporting on the All-Canada Conference, outlined the subject matter of the various papers, and was enthusiastic in his praise. Reporting on the Grand Masters' Conference in Washington, he explained that it was entirely different in character and that the general theme seemed to be the need for the expansion and broadening of Freemasonry even beyond the North American continent.

With regard to the subject of a new Masonic Temple, R.W. Bro. Gray, Chairman, reported on behalf of the Committee. The report contained details of meetings held by the Committee and other interested parties. The prospect for a new Masonic Temple does not appear too hopeful at the present time unless plans already formulated by the Scottish Rite Bodies and The Shrine are changed. Certain recommendations were made to the Board, and it was decided that the Committee continue its work and report back.

The Grand Secretary read a letter from the Grand Lodge of Scotland giving permission to publish in our Proceedings, the photograph of our late King George VI in his Masonic Regalia.

Permission was granted to Patricia Lodge No. 125 to occupy their new Lodge premises, and to Carman Lodge No. 155 to change their place of meeting.

The Grand Secretary reported to the Board that he had cabled to the Grand Secretary of the United Grand Lodge of England to ascertain if they were going to have a Masonic Flood Fund. He also reported that he had replies both by cable and letter from the Grand Secretary, Bro. Sir Sydney A. White, to the effect that there would be no Masonic Flood Fund as the Government and the Lord Mayor's National Fund would sufficiently provide relief to those affected.

Members of the Board stood in a moment's silence honoring the memory of that most gracious lady, The Dowager Queen Mary, who had so recently passed away.

MEETING OF MAY 8th, 1953

The President presided with 35 members present.

The Board were informed that M.W. Bro. E. T. Greenway had suffered a heart attack. The Grand Secretary was asked to send flowers and express their sympathy, and best wishes for a speedy return to good health. A report was made regarding The Masonic Disaster Relief Fund and the following nominations were made: M.W. Bros. F. H. Blythe, N. J. Black and S. H. Fahrni. The report was received and adopted and M.W. Bro. Blythe named as Chairman of this Committee. M.W. Bro. Fahrni gave an interim report on behalf of the Committee on the Re-allocation of Districts, that in view of the importance of the subject, the Committee wished for more time before bringing in a final report.

The Grand Secretary reported that this Grand Lodge would be taking steps in conjunction with the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan and probably the Grand Lodge of Alberta to have M.W. Bro. Carl H. Claudy, celebrated Masonic author as guest speaker at the 1954 Communications of the three Western Grand Lodges.

The Board approved of the following delegates to the Banff Conference to be held next September 10th, 11th and 12th—the Grand Master Elect, the Deputy Grand Master Elect and the Grand Secretary Elect.

A letter was read to the members of the Board from the Chairman of the Temple Fund Committee of the Order of the Eastern Star with regard to space in a proposed new Masonic Temple. This letter was referred to the Committee on the new Masonic Temple.

The Grand Secretary read a letter from M.W. Bro. Cole on behalf of a Committee from Assiniboine Lodge No. 7 at Portage la Prairie, asking that, if in the event of Assiniboine Lodge sponsoring the formation of another Lodge at Portage la Prairie, would the Board give back the name and number of "Marquette Lodge No. 21" which Lodge was amalgamated with Assiniboine Lodge No. 7 in 1889. There was much discussion on the precedent which may be established, but it was finally carried unanimously that the Charter of Marquette Lodge No. 21 be revived when such application was received and approved.

The regrets of the members of the Board were expressed to M.W. Bro. Donovan whose place of business had been destroyed by a disastrous fire in the Olympia Block, Brandon. In acknowledging same, M.W. Bro. Donovan hoped that Grand Lodge had made provision for fire-proof facilities for old and unreplaceable documents. M.W. Bro. Douglas replied that facilities had been obtained in the Provincial Archives provided our documents were in a steel container.

Regrets were also expressed by the members of the Board when informed that Elgin Lodge No. 86 had lost all their records and equipment in a fire which destroyed their rented premises, and also that R.W. Bro. E. J. Smillie had lost his place of business in the same fire.

The Board approved of the Committee on Investments being given power to act in the matter of investing the remainder of the War Effort Fund, at present in a current bank account, the sum being $822.66.

MEETING OF JUNE 3rd, 1953

The Vice-President, R.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans presided with 29 members present.

R.W. Bro. Walter Brown, D.D.G.M. Sixth Masonic District reporting on the loss suffered by Elgin Lodge No. 86 in the disastrous fire, stated the Lodges comprising the Sixth Masonic District were holding a meeting to organize plans for assistance. Petitions for request for Charters from Woodworth Lodge U.D. at Kenton, and Friendship Lodge U.D. at Fort Garry were approved.

A letter was read from R.W. Bro. George Kelso, D.D.G.M. Ninth Masonic District, regarding the proposed new Masonic Hall to be erected by Roblin Lodge No. 122. As some details were not covered in this letter, the Acting Chairman of the Board was authorized to appoint a Committee of two to interview R.W. Bro. Kelso to obtain the information required and report to the next meeting of the Board.

The request of Gladstone Lodge No. 11 to sell a portion of the land on which their Masonic Hall is situated was approved. A request from Temple Lodge No. 49, MacGregor, that they be permitted to tear down their present Masonic Hall and erect a new one on the same site was approved as all constitutional requirements had been met.

The Annual Report of the Board of General Purposes was read and approved. The Financial Budget for 1953-54 as submitted by the Chairman of the Committee on Finance was adopted.

The Grand Master's comments, that owing to the illness of R.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray, our Grand Master Elect, he was prepared to act as head of the Craft until his successor was Installed, met with the hearty thanks and unanimous approval of the Board. The following distinguished guests were welcomed at the meeting:

M.W. Bro. George W. Christie, I.P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Minnesota
M.W. Bro. R. R. Twamley, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of South Dakota
M.W. Bro. Guy H. Hummel, G.M., Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan
R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate, G.S., Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan
W. Bro. Clinton M. Norton, Director of Masonic Education, Grand Lodge of Minnesota

Fraternally submitted,

HARRY H. GRAY,
President.

This report was presented by R.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans (113) Vice-President of the Board of General Purposes, (on behalf of the President, R.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray (141), who moved its adoption, seconded by W. Bro. J. F. Irwin (24). Carried.

PETITIONS

PETITION FROM FRIENDSHIP LODGE U.D. FOR A CHARTER

It was moved by M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4), seconded by M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (11), that:

WHEREAS Friendship Lodge, having been granted a Dispensation by the M.W. Grand Master on April 1st, 1952, and Instituted by the M.W. Brother Fred. H. Blythe, Grand Master, on Thursday, the Third day of April 1952, at Fort Garry, Manitoba:

AND WHEREAS since that date has carried on as a Lodge of Freemasons successfully in accordance with and in harmony with the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, as the report of the Grand Master to the Board of General Purposes would testify:

AND WHEREAS the said Lodge, having petitioned the Grand Lodge to grant them a Charter, which Petition, with the approval of the Grand Master is now favorably recommended by the Board of General Purposes:

BE IT NOW RESOLVED, that this Grand Lodge of Manitoba, grant the prayer of the Petition and that the said Lodge, situate in the Municipality of Fort Garry, Manitoba, be placed on the Register of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, denominated "FRIENDSHIP LODGE" and numbered "165." Carried.

PETITION FROM WOODWORTH LODGE U.D. FOR A CHARTER

It was moved by M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4), seconded by M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (11), that:

WHEREAS Woodworth Lodge, having been granted a Dispensation by the M.W. Grand Master on April 1st, 1952, and Instituted by the M.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe, Grand Master, on Tuesday, the Sixth day of May, 1952, at Kenton, Manitoba:

AND WHEREAS since that date has carried on as a Lodge of Freemasons successfully in accordance with and in harmony with the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, as the report of the Grand Master to the Board of General Purposes would testify:

AND WHEREAS the said Lodge, having petitioned the Grand Lodge to grant them a Charter, which Petition, with the approval of the Grand Master is now favorably recommended by the Board of General Purposes:

BE IT NOW RESOLVED, that this Grand Lodge of Manitoba grant the prayer of the Petition and that the said Lodge, situate in the Village of Kenton, Manitoba, be placed on the Register of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, denominated "WOODWORTH LODGE" and numbered "166." Carried.

PETITION OF "A.D." FOR RESTORATION AFTER SUSPENSION

The Petition of a former member of Morden Lodge No. 13 for re-instatement after completion of the period of suspension for Un-Masonic Conduct, having been approved by his Lodge, and by the Committee on Jurisprudence and Appeals and now recommended by the Board of General Purposes, R.W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson (3), now moved that this Petition be granted and that a Certificate giving this Brother the standing of a Non-affiliated Freemason, be issued in compliance with Section 226 of the Constitution.

This motion was seconded by M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole (7) and carried.

REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

I respectfully submit the Seventy-eighth Annual Report of the Grand Secretary for the year ended March 31st, 1953.

At the outset I wish to express my appreciation to the former Grand Secretary, M.W. Brother Harry Coddington for the kindly advice he has given from time to time and also the hope that the rest he so well deserves has brought about an improvement in his health.

Copies of the Proceedings of the Seventy-seventh Annual Communication of Grand Lodge held on June 4th and 5th, 1952, were prepared and mailed to each of the Constituent Lodges, the Officers of Grand Lodge, the members of the Board of General Purposes, and to the Grand Lodges and their Representatives with whom we are in fraternal relationship. The number of copies which have been supplied to members of the Craft applying for the same indicates a fairly active interest in the workings of Grand Lodge.

Warning Circulars have been prepared in accordance with the decision of Grand Lodge and mailed to Constituent Lodges and other Bodies of Freemasonry under numbers 77A and 77B.

Certificates for Grand Lodge Officers, Past District Deputy Grand Masters and Master Masons, Life Members and Past Masters have been prepared and presented to those entitled to them, or forwarded to the secretaries of the Lodges concerned.

The Statements of monies received and disbursed during the year and the indebtedness of Lodges to Grand Lodge and referred to in Section 81(k) (1) and (2) of the Constitution are included with the Statements attached to the Report of the Grand Treasurer.

I am very pleased that I can follow the custom of my predecessors and convey thanks of those in the Grand Secretary's Office to the Secretaries of the Constituent Lodges for their co-operation in all matters, and more in particular for seeing that their Semi-annual Reports were carefully compiled and submitted so promptly.

The Returns on Form 42 show a gross increase in membership of 1041, and a net gain of 499 as compared with a gross gain of 909 and a net gain of 346 in 1951. Details and analysis follow:

Membership as at December 31st, 1951 **14,385**

Additions:

	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952
Initiations	781	791	745	729	720
Re-instatements	71	51	42	45	48
Affiliations	161	156	147	135	164
Charter Members U.D.			98		107
	1013	998	1032	909	1039
Add—adjustment					2
					1041

Removals:

By Demit	168	172	180	222	188
Suspended N.P.D.	67	75	113	112	95
Suspended U.M.C.	1	0	1	1	0
By Death	248	263	244	210	259
	484	510	538	545	542
Adjustment, less			5	18	
Net Increase	529	488	489	346	499

MEMBERSHIP AS AT DECEMBER 31st, 1952 **14,884**

The following Table shows the Degrees conferred in the various Lodges for the past five years:

Entered Apprentice	781	791	745	729	720
Fellow Craft	761	774	747	704	724
Master Mason	753	774	680	750	732
	2295	2339	2172	2183	2176

SUSPENSIONS, N.P.D.:

68 Lodges have no suspensions for Non-payment of Dues (63 in 1951).
45 Lodges show 95 Suspensions for Non-payment of Dues (47 Lodges showed 112 members in 1951).

SUSPENSIONS, U.M.C.:

There were no Suspensions in 1952, compared to 1 in 1951.

MEMBERSHIP:

66 Lodges show an increase in membership, compared to 68 Lodges in 1951.
31 Lodges show a decrease in membership, the same number as in 1951.
16 Lodges show membership unchanged, compared to 11 Lodges in 1951.
11 Lodges had no Initiations, compared to 14 Lodges in 1951.
6 Lodges conferred no Degrees at all, compared to 10 Lodges in 1951.

Further details may be gathered from the Statistical Table which appears elsewhere in these Proceedings.

DISPENSATIONS ISSUED—April 1st, 1952, to March 31st, 1953.

	1951-52	1952-53
To hold Joint Installation of Officers	11	16
To attend Divine Service in Regalia	34	47
To change Lodge Premises	1	5
To change place of meeting	8	10
Special Election and Installation of Officers	11	14
To confer Degrees after receiving Waivers	7	9
To hold District Meetings	13	11
For modified Examination	1	0
Special Funeral Service	2	0
Conferring Degrees within Specified time	2	3
To Waiving residence qualifications	0	4
To act as Host at Area Meetings	1	0
Special Emergent Meetings	2	2
To Reballot on petitioner for degrees	0	1
	93	122

AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS	Lodges
Regular Meetings	7, 11, 12, 29, 36, 108, 115, 116, 120, 163
Honorary Membership	77, 138
Life Membership	3, 50, 70,126
Fees	134, 136, 156
Dues	118, 145, 156
Election of Officers	71
Funds of the Lodge	3, 124
Control of Petitions for membership	140
Membership	162
Complete Revision	101, 158

On behalf of other constituent lodges, the Sick and Visiting Committees of the Lodges in Greater Winnipeg at our request, have visited numerous members while in the Winnipeg Hospitals and for giving comfort in time of need, we express to them our thanks.

List of Grand Representatives appointed since the previous Annual Communication are included in the Grand Master's Address.

There were no items of unfinished business from the previous Annual Communication. A survey of Grand Lodge Accounting records showed a certain amount of duplication was taking place and also as Grand Lodge property such as furniture, etc. has been charged to expense as purchased, there has not been any record maintained for the purpose of giving a complete inventory of such property. The duplication referred to has now been eliminated and an inventory of property has also been taken.

Progress is being made in compiling the new Card index of all members in the Jurisdiction. When this is completed, information can be obtained for the purpose of maintaining the record with respect to members of the Craft who are members of more than one constituent Lodge, as required under Section 81(Q) of the Constitution.

It was my pleasure to accompany our M.W. Grand Master to the Grand Lodge Communications of Saskatchewan and Montana where in each case I was conferred with the Rank of Honorary Past Grand Secretary, an honor which is greatly appreciated.

In addition to the above, I attended every District and Area Meeting and where possible was given the opportunity to speak on the "Requirements of the Grand Secretary's Office," which I hope was of some benefit to those Secretaries of constituent lodges who were present. For benefit of the Secretaries who were not present and Secretaries who are newly elected to Office, I will again state that the Grand Secretary and his staff are anxious to be of every assistance and should any of them at any time be in doubt on any matter, if they will write, giving full particulars, we will do our best to give clarification.

In conclusion, I express my thanks to all Grand Lodge Officers and members of the Board for their assistance and also to the members of the Office Staff, Miss Margaret Anderson and the Executive Secretary, W. Bro. Gordon McKenzie, for their cheerful co-operation at all times.

Respectfully submitted,

Thos. Jackson

Grand Secretary.

This report was presented by R.W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson (3), Grand Secretary. It was moved by W. Bro. A. E. Boyle (114), seconded by R.W. Bro. F. B. Lynes (71) that it be received and referred to the Committee on the Grand Secretary's report. Carried.

REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through the Grand Treasurer presents the following statement covering transactions for the year ending March 31st, 1953:

General Fund:

Exhibit "A"—Balance Sheet.
Exhibit "B"—Statement of Income and Expenditure.
Schedule "1"—Accounts Receivable.

Benevolent Endowment Fund:

Exhibit "C"—Balance Sheet.
Exhibit "D"—Statement of Income and Expenditure.

Beneficiary Fund:

Exhibit "E"—Balance Sheet.
Exhibit "F"—Statement of Income and Expenditure.
Schedule "2"—Statement of Beneficiary Fund Payments.

Flood Fund:

Exhibit "G"—Balance Sheet.

War Effort Fund:

Exhibit "H"—Balance Sheet.

Exhibit "I"—Consolidated Balance Sheet.

All accounts have been audited and found in order by the Grand Lodge Auditors, whose Certificate is appended hereto.

It is a pleasure to inform you that the Finances of Grand Lodge are in excellent condition; Insurance Policies are all up-to-date; Bonds have been inspected by the Auditors, Interest collected and deposited. Details covering the separate funds will be found in the Auditors' Statement.

Summing up, Grand Lodge Finances are being well looked after and once again, it has been my good fortune to enjoy the fellowship and kindly assistance of the Grand Secretary, and the members of the Committee on Finance.

Fraternally submitted,

W. PERCY WHITE,
Grand Treasurer.

This report was presented by R.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4) who moved its adoption, seconded by R.W. Bro. D. Rothstein (141). Carried.

April 13, 1953.

To the Most Worshipful The Grand Master, Officers and Members,
Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.,
Winnipeg, Manitoba.

In accordance with your instructions we have audited the accounts of the Grand Secretary and Treasurer of The Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M., for the year ended March 31, 1953, and now present the undernoted Financial Statements.

General Fund:
Exhibit "A"—Balance Sheet.
Exhibit "B"—Statement of Income and Expenditure.
Schedule "1"—Accounts Receivable.

Benevolent Endowment Fund:
Exhibit "C"—Balance Sheet.
Exhibit "D"—Statement of Income and Expenditure.

Beneficiary Fund:
Exhibit "E"—Balance Sheet.
Exhibit "F"—Statement of Income and Expenditure.
Schedule "2"—Statement of Beneficiary Fund Payments.

Flood Fund:
Exhibit "G"—Balance Sheet.

War Effort Fund:
Exhibit "H"—Balance Sheet.
Exhibit "I"—Consolidated Balance Sheet.

Cash in Bank:

The balances in Bank were confirmed by certificates obtained by us direct from the Bank.

Investments:

The securities representing the investments were inspected and found in order.

Yours truly,

ARMSTRONG & WILLIAMS
Chartered Accountants.

Exhibit "A"

BALANCE SHEET
GENERAL FUND
As at March 31, 1953

ASSETS

Current:	
Cash in Canadian Bank of Commerce	$14,309.67
Cash in Hand (Petty)	100.00
Accounts Receivable (Per Schedule "1")	307.20
	$14,716.87
Inventories:	
Supplies and Stock (Valued at)	1.00
Investment:	
Dominion of Canada Bonds 1966—3% (Par Value $10,000.00)	10,500.00
Equipment:	
Furniture and Fixtures Regalia Library and Fixtures Valued at	1.00
	$25,218.87

LIABILITIES

Current:	
Library Book Fund	$ 123.00
Surplus (Per Exhibit "B")	25,095.87
	$25,218.87

We have audited the accounts of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba A.F. & A.M. for the year ended March 31, 1953 and we have obtained all the information and explanations required.

After due consideration we have formed an independent opinion as to the position of the Corporation.

In our opinion, so formed, and to the best of our information, and the explanations given to us, we certify that the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up and sets forth fairly and truly the state of the affairs of the Corporation as at March 31, 1953.

All transactions of the Corporation that have come within our notice have been within the objects and powers of the Corporation to the best of our information and belief.

ARMSTRONG & WILLIAMS,
Chartered Accountants.

Winnipeg, Man., April 13, 1953.

Exhibit "B"

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE
GENERAL FUND
For the Year Ended March 31, 1953

INCOME

Dues	$21,234.25
Initiations	1,444.00
M.M. Certificates	1,516.00
L.M. Certificates	142.00
P.M. Certificates	82.50
Dispensations	189.00
Bond Interest	300.00
Stock	21.35
	$24,929.10

EXPENDITURE

Salaries and Honorariums		$7,315.00	
Grand Lodge Communication		3,087.02	
Masonry in Manitoba		2,299.30	
Annuities		483.76	
Library Maintenance		1,499.31	
Rent		1,395.75	
Grand Master		962.79	
Northern Trip		384.35	
Board Meetings		754.10	
Grand Secretary and Grand Lodge Officers		492.54	
Consecration and Constitution		115.13	
Area Meetings		627.00	
Stationery, Office Expense and Supplies		910.24	
Regalia G.M.		300.00	
Conferences:			
Banff	$688.95		
Washington	167.11		
All Canada	620.12		
		1,476.18	
Audit		300.00	
Postage		232.06	
Certificates L.M.		59.40	
Certificates M.M.		136.89	
Certificates P.M.		57.75	
Telephone and Telegraph		162.13	
Committee Meetings		180.08	
Flowers		64.58	
Jewels 50 Year		125.00	
Masonic Relief Association		101.72	
Insurance		93.60	
Moving		110.24	
Unemployment Insurance		73.02	
Exchange		28.65	
Safety Deposit Box		25.00	
Fidelity Bonds		9.15	
Miscellaneous		79.17	
			23,940.91
Excess of Income over Expenditure			988.19
Surplus as at March 31, 1952			24,107.68
Surplus as at March 31, 1953			$25,095.87

Schedule "1"

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

GENERAL FUND

As at March 31, 1953

No.	Name of Lodge	Amount Dr.	Amount Cr.
1.	Prince Rupert's	$ 20.00	
2.	Lisgar	---------	$10.00
7.	Assiniboine	.50	
8.	King Solomon	---------	4.30
12.	Stonewall	2.05	
13.	Morden	.65	
14.	Prince of Wales	.75	
15.	Corinthian	2.00	
19.	Brandon	6.75	
25.	Ionic	10.00	
27.	Glenwood	35.50	
30.	Manitou	6.00	
39.	Birtle	.90	
40.	Deloraine	5.40	
43.	Lebanon	8.60	
44.	Oak Lake	1.00	
51.	Treherne	.60	
52.	Hartney	.75	
55.	East Star	.75	
62.	Russell	20.00	
63.	Holland	4.00	
64.	Composite	15.00	
70.	Shiloh	.40	
71.	Crystal	13.95	
74.	Elkhorn	---------	1.00
75.	Gothic	.75	
82.	Cypress	---------	1.75
87.	Rathwell	.90	
92.	Shoal Lake	6.75	
100.	Robbie Burns	1.45	
101.	Binscarth	.25	
102.	Miniota	2.00	
105.	Prince Arthur	6.20	
107.	Lansdowne	---------	3.30
108.	Union	1.75	
110.	Kilwinning	4.05	
111.	Acacia	.50	
112.	Ophir	7.50	
113.	Tweed	6.00	
118.	Mound	2.75	
119.	Norwood	1.80	
125.	Patricia	2.00	
126.	Favel	6.50	
131.	Kildonan	24.25	
133.	McCreary	2.75	
136.	Capital	3.00	
	Carried Forward	$236.70	$20.35

Schedule "1"

(Continued)

No.	Name of Lodge	Amount Dr.	Amount Cr.
	Brought Forward	$236.70	$20.35
137.	Lord Selkirk	2.05	
139.	Beaver	13.00	
143.	Mt. Sinai	24.75	
144.	Fort Osborne	19.50	
147.	Jubilee	1.00	
151.	The Dormer	2.85	
154.	Pine Falls	1.00	
158.	Fenwick	--------	4.30
159.	Newdale	.70	
160.	Starbuck	2.00	
161.	Fort Prince of Wales	10.00	
162.	Ashlar	5.80	
163.	Charleswood	10.75	
164.	Harry Woods	--------	.25
U.D.	Friendship	1.00	
	Miscellaneous	1.00	
		$332.10	$24.90
		24.90	
		$307.20	

Exhibit "C"

BALANCE SHEET

BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND

As at March 31, 1953

ASSETS

	Par Value		
Current:			
Cash in Canadian Bank of Commerce			$ 1,727.14
Investments:			
Province of Manitoba Debentures	$ 54,000.00	$ 53,876.25	
Dominion of Canada Bonds	205,600.00	205,386.51	
Canadian National Railways Bonds	35,000.00	35,098.75	
City of Winnipeg Debentures	37,000.00	34,780.00	
Ontario Hydro Electric	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Canadian West Indies Steamship Limited	1,000.00	1,000.00	
			331,141.51
			$332,868.65

LIABILITIES

Surplus (Per Exhibit "D")	$332,868.65
	$332,868.65

We have audited the accounts of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba A.F. & A.M. for the year ended March 31, 1953, and we have obtained all the information and explanations required.

After due consideration we have formed an independent opinion as to the position of the Corporation.

In our opinion, so formed, and to the best of our information, and the explanations given to us, we certify that the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up and sets forth fairly and truly the state of the affairs of the Corporation as at March 31, 1953.

All transactions of the Corporation that have come within our notice have been within the objects and powers of the Corporation to the best of our information and belief.

ARMSTRONG & WILLIAMS,
Chartered Accountants

Winnipeg, Man., April 13, 1953.

Exhibit "D"

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND

For the year ended March 31, 1953

INCOME

Donations Lodges	$ 1,123.55
Donation A. Brown Estate	729.17
Donation W. Boyd Estate	500.00
Life Members' Fees	730.00
	$ 3,082.72

EXPENDITURE

Exchange	1.95
Excess of Income over Expenditure	$ 3,080.77
Surplus as at March 31, 1952	329,787.88
Surplus as at March 31, 1953	$332,868.65

Exhibit "E"

BALANCE SHEET

BENEFICIARY FUND

As at March 31, 1953

ASSETS

Current:			
Cash in Canadian Bank of Commerce:			
Savings Account		$ 9,773.16	
Current Account		129.73	
			$ 9,902.89
Investments:	Par Value		
Dominion of Canada Bonds	$38,900.00	$38,843.75	
Province of Manitoba	10,000.00	10,125.00	
Canadian National Railways	7,000.00	6,973.75	
			55,942.50
			$65,845.39

LIABILITIES

Surplus (Per Exhibit "F")	$ 65,845.39

We have audited the accounts of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba A.F. & A.M. for the year ended March 31, 1953, and we have obtained all the information and explanations required.

After due consideration we have formed an independent opinion as to the position of the Corporation.

In our opinion, so formed, and to the best of our information, and the explanations given to us, we certify that the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up and sets forth fairly and truly the state of the affairs of the Corporation as at March 31, 1953.

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ARMSTRONG & WILLIAMS,
Chartered Accountants.

Winnipeg, Man., April 13, 1953.

Exhibit "F"

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

BENEFICIARY FUND

For the year ended March 31, 1953

INCOME

Interest—Bonds and Debentures:		
Endowment Fund		$10,913.07
Beneficiary Fund		1,690.48
Interest—Bank		44.21
Premium on Bond Sold		10.00
		$12,657.76

EXPENDITURE

Beneficiary Fund (Per Schedule "2")	$14,788.30	
Postage, Printing and Stationery	300.00	
Legal and Expense re A. Brown Estate	147.50	
		15,235.80
Excess of Expenditure over Income		$ 2,578.04
Surplus as at March 31, 1952	$68,303.43	
Add—Relief Payments Refunded	120.00	
		68,423.43
Surplus as at March 31, 1953		$65,845.39

Schedule "2"

STATEMENT OF BENEFICIARY FUND PAYMENTS

For the year ended March 31, 1953

No.	Name of Lodge	Case No.	Amount
1.	Prince Rupert's	347	$185.00
1.	Prince Rupert's	378	245.00
1.	Prince Rupert's	400	245.00
2.	Lisgar	268	125.00
2.	Lisgar	387	365.15
2.	Lisgar	407	445.00
3.	Ancient Landmark	232	185.15
3.	Ancient Landmark	345	425.15
3.	Ancient Landmark	374	245.00
4.	St. John's	302	125.00
4.	St. John's	385	365.15
4.	St. John's	397	485.00
8.	King Solomon	296	65.15
10.	Northern Light	316	285.00
14.	Prince of Wales	348	245.15
24.	Neepawa	307	305.15
24.	Neepawa	399	485.15
24.	Neepawa	398	485.15
39.	Birtle	389	185.00
40.	Deloraine	408	120.00
40.	Deloraine	396	365.15
43.	Lebanon	341	305.15
44.	Oak Lake	405	230.15
44.	Oak Lake	394	365.00
68.	Vermillion	380	245.15
70.	Shiloh	383	185.15
70.	Shiloh	411	90.00
84.	Hamiota	310	245.00
90.	Midlothian	323	245.15
90.	Midlothian	373	245.15
92.	Shoal Lake	404	215.00
93.	King Edward	364	305.00
93.	King Edward	375	605.00
93.	King Edward	412	45.00
94.	Hiram	372	90.00
100.	Robbie Burns	291	365.15
103.	Crescent	350	365.15
104.	Reston	403	140.00
111.	Acacia	376	365.00
113.	Tweed	365	125.15
113.	Tweed	393	245.00
119.	Norwood	124	125.00
119.	Norwood	318	125.00
119.	Norwood	388	365.00
124.	The Pas	401	365.15
129.	Shellmouth	409	190.15
	Carried forward		$12,173.15

Schedule "2"

(Continued)

STATEMENT OF BENEFICIARY FUND PAYMENTS

For the year ended March 31, 1953

No.	Name of Lodge	Case No.	Amount
	Brought Forward		$12,173.15
131.	Kildonan	406	170.00
134.	Stony Mountain	355	365.00
134.	Stony Mountain	392	305.00
137.	Lord Selkirk	367	245.00
139.	Beaver	381	125.00
140.	Meridian	363	365.00
146.	Fidelity	410	185.00
148.	Seven Oaks	368	125.00
151.	The Dormer	386	365.00
153.	Flin Flon	352	365.15
			$14,788.30

Exhibit "G"

FLOOD FUND

BALANCE SHEET

As at March 31, 1953

ASSETS

Cash in Canadian Bank of Commerce		$22,590.96

SURPLUS

Balance as at March 31, 1952	$24,865.96	
Disbursed during Year	2,275.00	
Surplus as at March 31, 1953		$22,590.96

Exhibit "H"

WAR EFFORT FUND

BALANCE SHEET

As at March 31, 1953

ASSET

Cash in Canadian Bank of Commerce		$826.70

SURPLUS

Balance as at March 31, 1952	$822.66	
Add:		
Bank Interest	4.04	
Surplus as at March 31, 1953		$826.70

Exhibit "I"

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

As at March 31, 1953

ASSETS

	Par Value		
Current:			
Cash in Canadian Bank of Commerce		$ 49,357.36	
Cash on Hand		100.00	
Accounts Receivable		307.20	
			$ 49,764.56
Inventory Supplies and Stock Valued at			1.00
Equipment, Furniture and Fixtures, Regalia, Library and Fixtures Valued at			1.00
Investments:	Par Value		
Province of Manitoba Debentures	$ 64,000.00	$ 64,001.25	
City of Winnipeg Debentures	37,000.00	34,780.00	
Dominion of Canada Bonds	254,500.00	254,730.26	
Canadian National Railways Bonds	42,000.00	42,072.50	
Ontario Hydro Electric	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Canadian West Indies Steamship Limited	1,000.00	1,000.00	
			397,584.01
			$447,350.57

LIABILITIES

Current:		
Library Book Fund		$ 123.00
Surplus:		
General	$ 25,095.87	
Endowment	332,868.65	
Beneficiary	65,845.39	
Flood	22,590.96	
War Effort	826.70	
		447,227.57
		$447,350.57

We have audited the accounts of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M. for the year ended March 31, 1953 and we have obtained all the information and explanations required.

After due consideration we have formed an independent opinion as to the position of the Corporation.

In our opinion, so formed, and to the best of our information, and the explanations given to us, we certify that the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up and sets forth fairly and truly the state of the affairs of the Corporation as at March 31, 1953.

All transactions of the Corporation that have come within our notice have been within the objects and powers of the Corporation to the best of our information and belief.

ARMSTRONG & WILLIAMS,
Chartered Accountants.

Winnipeg, Man., April 13, 1953.

MOTION RE MASONIC DISTRICTS

It was moved by M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (11), seconded by M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan (113) that the Masonic Districts as at present constituted remain unchanged for the ensuing year, with the addition of Harry Woods Lodge No. 164 to the Tenth Masonic District and, that the following four lodges remain under the supervision of the M.W. Grand Master: The Pas Lodge No. 124, Flin Flon Lodge No. 153, Rice Lake Lodge No. 157, and Fort Prince of Wales Lodge No. 161.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir, and Brethren:

Conditions in many parts of the Masonic World are still unsettled; our brethren who are endeavoring to re-establish Freemasonry on sound basic principles are meeting with great antagonism, yet slow progress is reported from many sources.

In Germany for example, effort is being made to form a United Grand Lodge of Germany on similar lines to that of the United Grand Lodge of England. If they are successful, it will replace the eleven (11) Grand Lodges of pre-war days. Reports indicate that progress has been made.

In Austria, the Grand Lodge of Vienna has been revived and is gaining strength.

The Masonic World is carefully watching the efforts of the brethren in Italy, who are laboring to restore their Grand Lodges on basic principles.

In many of the Jurisdictions of South America, confusion and disorder still exists, due in many cases to the forces opposed to the establishment of Freemasonry. We feel the greatest sympathy for these brethren many of them being faithful and loyal Freemasons who are earnestly laboring to bring the blessings and privileges of the Craft to their fellowmen.

It is with profound regret that your Committee reports the Grand Lodge of Uruguay, with whom this Grand Lodge holds Fraternal Relationship has changed its basic principles to such an extent that your Committee has no alternative but to recommend that this Grand Lodge withdraw recognition.

After carefully studying all the information relating to the request for recognition from the Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge of Argentine, your Committee is fully satisfied that all requirements of recognition have been fulfilled. Your Committee therefore recommend, that recognition be granted the M.W. Grand Lodge of Argentine, and that an exchange of Grand Representatives be arranged.

Again, your Committee urge the Foreign Representatives near this Grand Lodge to communicate with the Grand Lodges they represent near the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and set up a contact that will be most beneficial not only to this Grand Lodge but also to each representative personally.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

FRED. H. BLYTHE,
Chairman.

This report was presented by M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe (93) who moved its adoption, seconded by M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan (113). Carried.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENCE

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through its Committee on Benevolence begs to submit herewith its Annual Report for the year ended March 31st, 1953.

During the year your Committee held four meetings to consider and review renewals and new application. Of the 48 Beneficiaries as at April 1st, 1952, five have been removed from the list through death and ten new cases have been added, making a total of 53 Beneficiaries as at March 31st, 1953, an increase of eight.

It is our pleasure to report that funds available in the Beneficiary Fund permitted your Committee to deal generously with those in need of assistance. The amount distributed during the fiscal year was $14,788.30 as compared with $12,962.50 for the previous year.

The monies distributed as at the end of the year, March 31st, 1953, it will be noted, are approximately $2,130.00 over the revenues received through interest on bonds of the Benevolent Endowment Fund, and the Beneficiary Fund, but the surplus cash available in the Beneficiary Fund is such that for the present no action is necessary to disturb the present bond investment of the Beneficiary Fund.

It is with grateful thanks that your Committee acknowledges additions to the Capital of the Benevolent Endowment Fund during the year, as follows:

Through—Constituent Lodges	$1,123.55
Balance of A. Brown Estate	729.17
Bequest Wm. Boyd Estate	500.00
Life Membership Fees	730.00
	$3,082.72

Your Committee wish again, to call to the attention of Masters and Secretaries of Constituent Lodges, Section 11"B" 3 of the Constitution respecting grants to Beneficiaries and particularly the duties of secretaries in notifying the Grand Secretary of full detail respecting both renewals and new applications.

Your Committee is pleased to advise that the usual $5.00 cheques were sent to the Beneficiaries at Christmas.

The duties of this Committee are many and varied and it has endeavored to administer the Fund to provide assistance to all those in need.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY CODDINGTON,
Chairman
Committee on Benevolence.

DONATIONS

Prince Rupert's No. 1	$100.00	Fort Osborne No. 144	$ 50.00
Emerson No. 6	38.81	Pine Falls No. 154	79.00
Morden No. 13	25.00	Rice Lake No. 157	51.00
Neepawa No. 24	25.00	Charleswood No. 163	25.00
Manitou No. 30	25.00	Strathclair No. 106	75.00
Deloraine No. 40	47.00	F. R. Lount (121)	190.00
Glenboro No. 48	25.00	W. C. McDonald (70)	11.15
Oriental No. 54	25.00	Thos. Gibson (4)	10.00
Robbie Burns No. 100	35.00	N. Rothstein (141)	25.00
Strathcona No. 117	11.50		
Norwood No. 119	25.00	A. Brown Estate	729.17
Penza No. 120	50.00	Wm. Boyd Estate	500.00
McCreary No. 133	20.00		
Windsor No. 138	100.00	Total	$2,352.72

This report was presented by M.W. Bro. H. Coddington (1), who moved its adoption, seconded by M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe (93). Carried.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE AND APPEALS

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through its Committee on Jurisprudence and Appeals, begs to report that in the term now expiring, this Committee's duties have not been at all onerous.

Your Committee was asked to report on the application of A.D. of Morden, Manitoba, for reinstatement of his membership into the Order after his suspension, and your Committee recommended to the Board that A.D. be reinstated as a member of the Craft.

The question of a member of the Craft holding a dual membership and allowing himself to become suspended for nonpayment of dues with one of the Lodges, was submitted to the Committee on the point did the member then lose his membership in the other Lodge. Your Committee reported that in its opinion the member did not lose his membership in the other Lodge, but the Board did not concur in the opinion of the members of your Committee who were present at the time that the question was decided.

During the past year the Grand Secretary has submitted to the Chairman, the by-laws of several Lodges for his observations thereon.

Your Committee wishes to express its appreciation to the Grand Secretary and all the members of his office for the courtesies shown to your Chairman and the members of his Committee during the past year.

Fraternally submitted,

S. HART GREEN,
Chairman, Committee on Jurisprudence and Appeals.

This report was presented by the Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson (3), who moved its adoption, seconded by M.W. Bro. H. Coddington (1). Carried.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CONDITION OF FREEMASONRY

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry begs to submit the following report:

This committee has continued the practice of having frequent conferences with the District Deputy Grand Masters to acquaint them with their duties and give them the experience of previous years. We feel that those who have followed the recommendations have been able to perform their duties efficiently, expeditiously and satisfactorily.

It was gratifying that six of the D.D.G.M.s had organization meetings with the Principal Officers and Secretaries of Lodges in their respective districts. This was an increase over previous years, and we hope in future all D.D.G.M.s will be convinced of the benefit of these meetings before they commence their official visits or hold their District meeting.

From the information submitted by the D.D.G.M.s we are pleased to report that harmony prevails throughout the jurisdiction, and that the majority of lodges are in a sound and healthy condition. There are a few lodges, however who are having difficulty in functioning, and have become static or discouraged. These lodges should continue to receive attention and assistance from the committees concerned, so that they may again exert the proper influence amongst their own brethren and the area they serve.

Eleven splendid District Meetings were held and gave evidence of careful organization and preparation. The attendance in most cases was above the average, and the meetings were interesting, informative and instructive. We recommend that future D.D.G.M.s follow the example of the First and Twelfth Districts this year, and have lodge reports submitted to them before the District Meeting so that a summary can be given at the meeting. We were surprised to see how many lodge Officers were absent from their District Meetings. In one instance no Wardens from any of the Lodges were in attendance.

In spite of the much larger than usual total attendance at the Grand Lodge Communication in 1952, it is disappointing to record that no less than 15 lodges were unrepresented by any of their Principal Officers, and out of this number, seven had neither Past Masters nor Officers present. It is conceivable that an unusual condition might arise to prevent all the brethren from a particular lodge attending the Annual Communication, but over a period of years, we notice the names of the same lodges appearing frequently. We therefore urge and recommend that future District Deputy Grand Masters do everything in their power to arouse and stimulate interest and to impress on the lodges in their District to at least have their Principal Officers in attendance, and as many Past Masters as possible.

From the last printed Proceedings we notice that seven lodges carry no fire insurance of any kind. A lodge that does not own its buildings should at least protect in this way, its equipment, furniture and regalia.

We regret to have to record that Elgin Lodge No. 86 lost by fire in April all their furniture, equipment, regalia and records. This catastrophe happened just before their regular meeting, when their rented premises were destroyed. We extend to the brethren of this Lodge our warmest fraternal sympathy and sorrow in these discouraging circumstances.

It is evident from the D.D.G.M.s reports and lodge reports submitted at District Meetings that a large number of the lodges are not making use of the material available in our printed Proceedings of Annual Communications, and the Addresses given at the Banff Conferences, copies of both of which are supplied to all lodges. Even a perusal of the various committee reports will show what is being accomplished, and will indicate to every Worshipful Master how he can make his lodge meetings interesting, informative and inspiring.

We regret to report there are still a number of lodges which have failed to bring their Historical Records up to date. Cases are also being brought to our attention where the final charge is omitted at the end of a Degree. Outside of the ordinary coaching and examinations very few lodges have made any provision for new members to receive special explanations and instructions regarding the Degrees. A splendid opportunity for doing this is provided when the Booklets are presented at the end of each degree. Attention has been drawn to these three matters consistently for the past few years, and the benefits to the new members and the lodges which have conscientiously put them into effect are clearly evident.

The Work is excellent in most lodges. In some, where it is not, it would only take a little more energy and enthusiasm to bring it up to the required standard. The effectiveness of the opening, closing and Degree Work depend on a proper word and phrase emphasis and the proper inflection of the voice. One must have a feeling for the beauty and rhythm as well as to know the meaning, and deliver it all in a clear, unhurried, audible manner so that the beauty of the language may be brought into sharp perspective.

In this connection we quote in part from the January 1953 message to his brethren of W. Brother Athol R. Gordon, Master of Beaver Lodge No. 139. "Your officers are about to place an increased accent upon the dramatic and rhetorical aspects of The Work. They are doing so at my request for it is my firm belief that, given its proper treatment, our beautiful ritual will stimulate in the minds of its hearers and beholders a train of Masonic thought leading the mind towards that ethereal mansion, the ultimate goal of every faithful brother Freemason."

Two unusual International Area Meetings were held this year, one at Souris on May 1st, and the other at Langdon, N.D., on May 11th, when the Grand Masters of North Dakota and Manitoba conducted meetings in each others Jurisdictions. These meetings were enthusiastically attended by brethren from both Grand Lodges and the accommodation was taxed to capacity in both cases.

The reports submitted on the lodges Under Dispensation have been most satisfactory, and we therefore recommend that Charters be issued to Friendship and Woodworth Lodges.

Your Committee expresses its thanks and appreciation to the District Deputy Grand Masters for their efforts, and assistance and co-operation. Unfortunately in some cases, the Official Visits were made very late in the season, with the result that several reports were not received in time for members of this Committee to properly review. One report has not yet been received. Degree Work was also not witnessed in many lodges.

We recommend the following be given the rank of Past District Deputy Grand Master:

R.W. Bro. R. W. Campbell (10)	First Masonic District
R.W. Bro. H. A. Lye (49)	Second Masonic District
R.W. Bro. E. A. Baragar (103)	Third Masonic District
R.W. Bro. D. A. McKay (71)	Fourth Masonic District
R.W. Bro. John Fleming (14)	Fifth Masonic District
R.W. Bro. Walter Brown (104)	Sixth Masonic District
R.W. Bro. H. S. Perdue (158)	Seventh Masonic District
R.W. Bro. J. J. Tjaden (125)	Eighth Masonic District
R.W. Bro. George Kelso (122)	Ninth Masonic District
R.W. Bro. Wm. Bird (154)	Tenth Masonic District
R.W. Bro. F. M. Bastin (139)	Twelfth Masonic District

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry.

R. E. EMMETT,
Chairman.

This report was presented by R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett (121), who moved its adoption, seconded by R.W. Bro. W. J. McGregor (11). Carried.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Correspondence submits its Annual Report on the Proceedings of other Grand Jurisdictions fraternally recognized by the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

It is pleasing to note that the true spirit of Masonry prevails in every Jurisdiction. This is as it should be, for if Masons cannot agree to live peacefully with one another, how can peoples of different nationalities be expected to live in harmony with one another.

Education in the conferring of Degrees and in Masonic knowledge is now being stressed, also the examination of Wardens, and Deacons in the Work, Constitution and By-laws before being advanced to a higher office, this should be considered in this Jurisdiction.

It is hoped that our brethren who have access to our Proceedings will read the report, it will help them to a better understanding and appreciation of what Masonry meant in the past and what it means now to ourselves, our country and to the ideals of liberty everywhere.

Fraternally submitted,

H. M. KERR,
Chairman.

This report was presented by the Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson (3), who moved its adoption, seconded by R.W. Bro. H. S. Perdue (113). Carried.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND REVISION

To the Most Worshipful The Grand Master, Officers and Members of Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through the Committee on Constitution and Revision submits the following report:

Since the last annual communication this committee has given consideration to the Constitution and deems it advisable that the same be amended in certain respects. Your committee has also considered amendments proposed by certain other members of Grand Lodge and in some cases has suggested changes therein.

Proper notice has been given of all proposed amendments and they will be considered at the proper time at the next annual communication to be held in June next.

Your committee wishes to extend its appreciation of the co-operation at all times received from the office of the Grand Secretary, the other members of the Board and also from the Craft in general.

All of which is respectfully and fraternally submitted.

K. R. KENNEDY,
Chairman.

This report was presented by the Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson (3) who moved its adoption, seconded by R.W. Bro. H. A. Lye (49). Carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Grand Master, M.W. Brother Gordon A. McMorran announced that the reception of Distinguished Visitors, the reception of the Grand Representatives of Sister Grand Jurisdictions and the reception of Worshipful Masters would take place at the Evening Session.

The Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson drew the attention of the brethren to the District Meetings which would be held as follows: The Third, Fourth and Fifth Masonic District at 4.30 p.m. and the Sixth, Tenth and Twelfth Masonic Districts at 7.00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The Afternoon Session was adjourned at 4.30 p.m. to be resumed at 8.00 o'clock p.m. in the evening.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3rd, 1953

Evening Session

LABOR RESUMED

The Grand Master, Grand Lodge Officers and Past Grand Masters, entered the Lodge Room in procession, the brethren singing the Processional Hymn "Unto the Hills."

Grand Lodge was called from Refreshment to Labor by the Grand Master Most Worshipful Brother Gordon A. McMorran.

MOTION RE HONORARY RANK

The following motion was moved by M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe (93), seconded by M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan (113) and carried:

One of the Constitutional privileges of this Grand Lodge is that of conferring upon Brethren who have rendered distinguished service to the Craft, Honorary Rank in the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

MOST WORSHIPFUL BROTHER GEORGE W. CHRISTIE, I.P.G.M. of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota,

MOST WORSHIPFUL BROTHER EDWARD J. FRANTA, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota,

WORSHIPFUL BROTHER CLINTON M. NORTON, Director of Masonic Service, Grand Lodge of Minnesota

have justly merited the title of "distinguished."

Their unfailing interest in developing a spirit of International Goodwill between the brethren of these several Jurisdictions, and their faithful attendance at our Annual Communications for several years, is evidence of their devoted Craftsmanship.

I would therefore move that the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, do hereby confer on M.W. Bro. George W. Christie and M.W. Bro. Edward J. Franta, the rank of Honorary Past Grand Master, and on W. Bro. Clinton M. Norton, the rank of Honorary Past District Deputy Grand Master, of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

RECEPTION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

At the direction of the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, R.W. Bro. David Rothstein, Grand Director of Ceremonies and a number of the Past Grand Masters retired and were requested to re-enter and escort our Distinguished Guests into Grand Lodge and present them at the Altar.

Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan
M.W. Bro. Guy H. Hummell, Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate, Grand Secretary
Presented by M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole (7)

Grand Lodge of Alberta
M.W. Bro. H. E. Howard, Grand Master
Presented by M.W. Bro. Harry B. Donnelly (138)

Grand Lodge of Minnesota
M.W. Bro. H. T. Olson, Grand Master
M.W. Bro. George W. Christie, I.P.G.M.
M.W. Bro. Louis H. Colson, P.G.M.
M.W. Bro. Ralph W. Stanford, P.G.M.
M.W. Bro. Carsten L. Jacobson, P.G.M.
W. Bro. Clinton M. Norton, Director, Masonic Service
W. Bro. Robt. B. Olson, Past Master
Presented by M.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe (93)

Grand Lodge of North Dakota
M.W. Bro. Edward J. Franta, Grand Master
M.W. Bro. Chas. M. Pollock, P.G.M.
M.W. Bro. Harold S. Pond, P.G.M., Grand Secretary
W. Bro. Gordon L. Paxman, Grand Pursuivant
Presented by M.W. Bro. Stanley H. Fahrni (11)

Grand Lodge of South Dakota
M.W. Bro. Ralph R. Twamley, P.G.M.
Presented by M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4)

These guests were received with Grand Honors and were welcomed by the Most Worshipful Grand Master. He remarked that we owed a debt of gratitude to the Grand Lodge of Minnesota as it was really from that source that Freemasonry received its start in Manitoba. North Dakota and South Dakota, originally one unit under the Grand Lodge of Dakota Territory, were like a twin to us, while the Grand Lodges of Saskatchewan and Alberta were our daughters to the West. He concluded his remarks with the hope their stay with us would be a happy one.

Their sponsors were then requested to conduct our visitors to the Grand East.

FLAG CEREMONY

The Grand Director of Ceremonies retired and returned escorting the Flag Bearers into Grand Lodge:

Bro. Major W. W. Hughes carrying the Union Jack

Bro. Captain Samuel Gee carrying the Stars and Stripes

The Flags were presented at the Altar and the members present sang one verse of "God Save the Queen" and the "Star Spangled Banner." The Flag Bearers then carried the Flags to the Grand East where they were deposited for the duration of the Sessions.

PRESENTATION OF COMMISSIONS TO GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

The Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Gordon A. McMorran asked the Grand Director of Ceremonies to escort to the Grand East the brethren, who were to receive their Commissions as Grand Representatives:

Grand Lodge of Arkansas	W. Bro. George H. Lucas (157)
Grand Lodge of Kansas	R.W. Bro. John C. Cuthill (104)
Grand Lodge of Missouri	R.W. Bro. Thos C. Jackson (3)
Grand Lodge of The Netherlands	R.W. Bro. W. Earl Glover (70)
Grand Lodge of New Jersey	R.W. Bro. David Rothstein (141)
Grand Lodge of North Dakota	M.W. Bro. Walter C. McDonald (70)
Grand Lodge of Victoria (Australia)	R.W. Bro. Alex. R. Dick (55)

In presenting these Commissions, the Grand Master urged the recipients to communicate with their respective Grand Lodges and to establish Fraternal connections which might be of benefit to themselves, to our Grand Lodge and to the Grand Lodges they represent.

RECEPTION OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

The Grand Director of Ceremonies presented the Grand Representatives of Sister Grand Jurisdictions who in turn presented greetings on behalf of the Grand Lodges they represent:

Alberta	R.W. Bro. H. M. Kerr
Alpina (Switzerland)	M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni
Arizona	R.W. Bro. A. D. Blair
Arkansas	W. Bro. G. H. Lucas
British Columbia	R.W. Bro. J. C. Grant

Chile	M.W. Bro. N. J. Black
Colombia	R.W. Bro. A. S. McCann
Colorado	R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy
Connecticut	M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan
Costa Rica	R.W. Bro. J. D. Lloyd
Cuba	W. Bro. J. M. Davies
Delaware	W. Bro. J. G. Wiechman
Denmark	V.W. Bro. W. C. Birt
District of Colombia	W. Bro. A. C. Cabel
Ecuador	V.W. Bro. S. W. Robertson
France, N.G.L.	R.W. Bro. C. A. Midwinter
Guatemala	R.W. Bro. Robt. Wood
Georgia	R.W. Bro. W. A. Prugh
Honduras	R.W. Bro. A. G. Cowan
Idaho	W. Bro. S. J. Sametz
Indiana	R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett
Iowa	M.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran
Ireland	M.W. Bro. H. Coddington
Kansas	R.W. Bro. J. C. Cuthill
Kentucky	R.W. Bro. J. D. McKinlay
Louisiana	M.W. Bro. C. E. Cole
Maine	R.W. Bro. W. D. Harper
Maryland	R.W. Bro. D. Ferguson
Mexico, York G.L.	R.W. Bro. M. A. Nitikman
Michigan	R.W. Bro. A. J. Sawatzky
Minnesota	M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe
Mississippi	R.W. Bro. J. R. Glenn
Missouri	R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson
Montana	R.W. Bro. M. S. Watson
Nebraska	V.W. Bro. N. Rothstein
Netherlands	R.W. Bro. W. E. Glover
Nevada	R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat
New Brunswick	W. Bro. R. A. McKenzie
New Hampshire	V.W. Bro. W. D. G. Runions
New Jersey	R.W. Bro. D. Rothstein
New Mexico	M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly
New South Wales	W. Bro. I. Zipursky
New Zealand	M.W. Bro. S. Burland
North Carolina	R.W. Bro. R. Peel
North Dakota	M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald
Norway	Bro. W. Larsson
Nova Scotia	M.W. Bro. D. S. Woods
Ohio	W. Bro. A. E. Boyle
Panama	W. Bro. W. Dalzell
Philippine Islands	R.W. Bro. J. Livesey
Puerto Rico	R.W. Bro. G. V. Henderson
Prince Edward Island	R.W. Bro. F. B. Lynes
Rhode Island	R.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans
Rio de Janeiro	R.W. Bro. H. L. Morrow
Santa Domingo	R.W. Bro. E. L. White
Scotland	M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas
Sao Paulo	R.W. Bro. E. B. Litz
South Australia	W. Bro. J. J. Allen
Tasmania	V.W. Bro. T. L. Dodsworth
Tennessee	M.W. Bro. J. S. MacEwing
Texas	V.W. Bro. H. G. Kilpatrick
Utah	R.W. Bro. D. MacDonald
Vermont	R.W.Bro. F. K. Purdie
Virginia	V.W. Bro. C. Hyde

Victoria	R.W. Bro. A. R. Dick
Washington	R.W. Bro. G. R. Mackay
West Virginia	R.W. Bro. D. Griffith
Western Australia	V.W. Bro. J. B. McClure

RECOGNITION OF WORSHIPFUL MASTERS

The Grand Director of Ceremonies at the request of the Most Worshipful Grand Master, presented at the Altar, approximately 80 Worshipful Masters of Lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction who were in attendance at this Evening Session. M.W. Brother McMorran thanked them most sincerely for their attendance, but he pointed out their presence at Grand Lodge was only one of their duties. A keen knowledge of the fundamental principles of Freemasonry, proper supervision of their Lodges and proper exemplification of degrees were of supreme importance. He urged them to continue to support the Craft in succeeding years as Past Masters of their own lodges.

ADDRESS OF THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER

Most Worshipful Brother Gordon A. McMorran

My Brethren:

It is with feelings of deep humility and gratitude to Divine Providence for a year of good health that has enabled me to fill all my engagements as Grand Master, that I welcome you all to this 78th Annual Communication.

We meet under particularly happy circumstances, amidst the festivities surrounding the coronation yesterday of Her Gracious Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II.

Of recent years the British Crown has come to symbolize for us and for many others of the free world, all that appears stable and honourable in a seemingly unstable and, at times, dishonourable world.

A year ago we met in the shadow cast by the passing of His Majesty, King George VI, today we rejoice, with all other loyal citizens of the British Commonwealth of Nations, at the succession to the Throne and Coronation of his daughter.

A few days ago I deemed it wise that the Freemasons of this Grand Jurisdiction of Manitoba should join with millions of others, in expressing loyalty and allegiance. I, therefore, had the following message addressed to Her Majesty on behalf of the almost fifteen thousand members of the Craft in this Jurisdiction.

Her Most Gracious Majesty,
Queen Elizabeth II,
London, England.

"On behalf of the officers and members of the Craft in Manitoba, we wish to express sincere and continuing loyalty, with the hope that your reign may be one of peace and progress. May the Great Architect in his wisdom and goodness grant you a long life of good health and happiness.

(Signed) Gordon A. McMorran,
Grand Master

Thomas C. Jackson,
Grand Secretary.

Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free
and Accepted Masons."

In the dark days early in the Second World War, when the peoples of the British Isles seemed the only bulwark of free peoples against the threat of Hitlerism and slavery, the National Anthem was sung in this country as a prayer as never before. I was particularly pleased to note that something of the same fervency was noticeable in the singing of the National Anthem a few minutes ago.

Our happiness, at the moment however, is greatly dampened by the sudden and entirely unexpected illness of our Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Bro. Harry H. Gray.

I am going to repeat to some extent, my remarks of this afternoon with regard to his illness, because there are many here this evening who were not able to be present at the Opening Session.

As you probably all know, R. W. Bro. Gray was taken ill about a week ago and is at present in the General Hospital. During the past year, Bro. Gray was present with me at almost every meeting in this Grand Jurisdiction; and he had made plans well into the coming year. I know that it will be a very bitter disappointment to him that he is unable to be with us at this Communication. We must all hope and pray for his speedy and complete recovery to good health, and that in a few weeks he will be Installed, and able to assume his duties as Grand Master.

A year ago you honoured me by electing and installing me Grand Master of the Grand Jurisdiction. I wish once again, to express, and record, my deep appreciation of that honour.

With all sincerity, I can assure you that the year has been one of the happiest in my life. It has been a busy year; but one that has permitted me to meet, and enjoy the friendship of so many Brethren, and has enabled me to express sone of my thoughts with regard to Freemasonry, to some hundreds of members of the Craft in this Grand Jurisdiction. My regret is that I was unable to express those thoughts, and convictions, with greater force and ability.

For some years I have felt that Freemasonry is worthy of much greater interest and enthusiasm on the part of both Officers and Members. My experiences during the past year have merely strengthened my conviction that a better, and more widespread understanding of the history, ideals and symbolism of Freemasonry will eventually bring about the interest and enthusiasm that, to my way of thinking, are of such vital importance.

NECROLOGY

It is fitting, however, that we should pause for a few moments and pay tribute to those whose earthly labors have ceased. During the year, death has again taken a heavy toll of members of this Grand Jurisdiction, as well as other Jurisdictions.

Sympathetic references will be made, in the report of the Committee on Fraternal Dead, to the passing of Members of this Grand Jurisdiction, but I wish at this time to record with regret the losses sustained by our Sister Grand Lodges:

April 2, 1952—M.W. Bro. Ricardo Mora Fernandez, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Costa Rica.

April 14, 1952—M.W. Bro. Frank C. Laird, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Indiana.

April 14, 1952—R.W. Bro. George A. Barnewall, D.G.M., Grand Lodge of New York.

April 14, 1952—R.W. Bro. George R. Irving, M.D., Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge of New York.

May 6, 1952—M.W. Bro. James Roy Mitchell, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Wyoming.

May 4, 1952—M.W. Bro. Harry Dean Evans, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Kansas.

May 15, 1952—M.W. Bro. Herschel Horn, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Colorado.

May 15, 1952—M.W. Bro. Lyle H. Ball, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Oklahoma.

May 26, 1952—M.W. Bro. Joseph Everett Hart, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of South Carolina.

June 14, 1952—M.W. Bro. Arthur Barton Wood, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Quebec.

June 26, 1952—M.W. Bro. Chester Mason Aldrich, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Rhode Island.

August 11, 1952—M.W. Bro. Edmund Alexander Montgomery, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Minnesota.

August 13, 1952—M.W. Bro. Elwood H. Beemer, P.G.M., and Grand Chaplain, Grand Lodge of Nevada.

September 17, 1952—M.W. Bro. Walter Milton Ransom, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Oregon.

September 21, 1952—M.W. Bro. Eric C. Murray, G.M., Grand Lodge of Costa Rica.

September 23, 1952—M.W. Bro. William J. Marshall, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Montana.

September 24, 1952—R.W. Bro. Frank J. Cole, P.S.G.W., Grand Lodge of Maine.

October 1, 1952—M.W. Bro. William L. Bush, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Colorado.

October 5, 1952—M.W. Bro. Leslie Ward Lee, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Washington.

October 10, 1952—M.W. Bro. Orville Edwin Cain, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of New Hampshire.

October 14, 1952—M.W. Bro. Weldon C. Maples, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Delaware.

October 24, 1952—M.W. Bro. Charles C. LaFollette, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Indiana.

November 4. 1952—M.W. Bro. Frank H. Norcross, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Nevada.

November 12, 1952—M.W. Bro. John H. Hawks, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Michigan.

November 20, 1952—M.W. Bro. Vernon Gates, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Minnesota.

November 21, 1952—M.W. Bro. Richard H. Schweitzer, P.G.M., and Grand Treas., Grand Lodge of Indiana.

November 29, 1952—R.W. Bro. Rev. J. Homer Nelson, Grand Chaplain, Grand Lodge of Maine.

December 4, 1952—M. W. Bro. Marquis Lafayette Gibbons, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Arizona.

December 8, 1952—M.W. Bro. Morris Goldstein, Hon. P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Mississippi.

December 19, 1952—M.W. Bro. Arthur Douglas Hay, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Oregon.

December 19, 1952—M.W. Bro. Rafael Agostini, "E.V.-M." Grand Lodge of Panama.

December 30, 1952—R.W. Alfred James Mokler, Grand Historian, Grand Lodge of Wyoming.

January 15, 1953—R.W. Bro. Cyrus D. Stockwell, S.G.W. Grand Lodge of Wisconsin.

January 16, 1953—M.W. Bro. Theodore Bird Elton, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of North Dakota.

January 31, 1953—M.W. Bro. D. H. Mooney, P.G.M., P.G. Treasurer, Grand Lodge of Wisconsin.

March 7, 1953—M.W. Bro. Harold Hale Murchie, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Maine.

A summary of the year's activities might well be classified as follows.

District Meetings and Lodges under the Grand Master's Supervision.

Area Meetings.

Conferences

Visits to Other Grand Jurisdictions.

Anniversaries and Official Visits.

DISTRICT MEETINGS

Without exception the eleven District Meetings were well attended, well organized, and capably presided over by the District Deputy Grand Masters. The reports of Lodge Secretaries which have been a feature of afternoon meetings at rural district meetings for some years, showed considerable improvement, although some Secretaries continued the practice of including statistics rather than a summary of general activities. At the meeting of the First Masonic District in November and again at the Twelfth Masonic District in Winnipeg in January the District Secretary presented a summary of the Secretaries' reports which had been furnished him some time in advance. This is an improvement that I would suggest all the Districts consider adopting in future.

The question periods at all the afternoon meetings outside Greater Winnipeg, and at the evening meetings in Winnipeg, were instructive and interesting.

With a view to creating greater interest among Officers, I requested R.W. Bro. Harry Gray, Deputy Grand Master, to read R.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate's paper entitled "The Duties and Responsibilities of a Worshipful Master" at all the District Meetings outside Greater Winnipeg. This feature received many favourable comments.

The District Meetings were held at the following places and dates:

Tenth Masonic District at Pine Falls, September 30.
Second Masonic District at MacGregor, October 9.
Third Masonic District at Elm Creek, October 10.
Fifth Masonic District at Minnedosa, October 15.
Ninth Masonic District at Roblin, October 17.
Fourth Masonic District at Crystal City, October 22.

Eighth Masonic District at Sperling, October 23.
Sixth Masonic District at Reston, October 29.
Seventh Masonic District at Brandon, October 30.
First Masonic District in Winnipeg, November 28.
Twelfth Masonic District in Winnipeg, January 29.

Because of their location, four lodges, The Pas No. 124, Flin Flon No. 153, Rice Lake No. 157, and Fort Prince of Wales No. 161, at Churchill, are under the direct supervision of the Grand Master.

Official visits to these lodges were made as follows:

September 24, Fort Prince of Wales No. 161 at Churchill, accompanied by the Grand Secretary and R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat who happened to be in the North at the time. The annual election of Officers was held, and the Officers were duly installed, with the assistance of R.W. Bro. Jackson and R.W. Bro. Mowat. The weather again prevented us from crossing the Churchill River to the old Fort, after which the lodge is named, and opening a special lodge meeting at that historic spot.

September 26, The Pas No. 124, accompanied by the Grand Secretary, the Deputy Grand Master, and M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan. A well attended meeting with an interesting discussion over the contemplated organization of a lodge benevolent fund.

September 27, Flin Flon No. 153, accompanied by the Grand Secretary, the Deputy Grand Master and M. W. Bro. Donovan. Another well attended and interesting meeting with the typical northern welcome.

May 15, Rice Lake No. 157, accompanied by the Grand Secretary, the Grand Director of Ceremonies, and R.W. Bro. Mowat. A fine meeting in the public school of this interesting gold mining town. Only four of the 39 resident members absent. Rice Lake lodge at Bisset is even more isolated than Fort Prince of Wales at Churchill; and the return trip had to be made by special plane.

AREA MEETINGS

In the last few years Area Meetings have been held in this Grand Jurisdiction during the spring months, at points where facilities have been available for gatherings of two hundred or more members.

This year it was decided to hold one at Portage la Prairie, and one at Souris that would take the form of an International Area Meeting; and to cooperate with M.W. Bro. Edward J. Franta, Grand Master of North Dakota, at a similar gathering to the one in Souris, at Langdon, North Dakota.

All three meetings were highly successful. At Portage on April 23rd the attendance was well over two hundred, at the dinner and at the meeting that followed. The feature of the meeting was the very fine Forum discussion of the F. C. degree conducted by the Grand Organist, V.W. Bro. F. C. Courtice, and four other members of the Brandon lodges. At Souris at May 1st, the registered attendance at the dinner was 398, with well over that number at the meeting. Features of the meeting were: the opening of a Communication of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota by Grand Master Franta, an exceptionally fine concert of an hour duration by the Scotsman Chorus of Minot, N.D., and a thought-provoking address by M.W. Bro. Franta. At Langdon, N.D., on May 11th, a Special Communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba was opened in ample form, with all the principal officers present. The feature of the program was the splendid presentation of the Masonic play "A Rose upon the Altar" by the "44" Club of Winnipeg. I was given the honour of delivering the principal address. Over 200 Canadian members of the Craft were guests at the dinner tendered by Lebanon Lodge of Langdon; and there were about 400 hundred present at the meeting that followed the dinner.

The Canadian attendance at the three Area Meetings at Portage, Souris and Langdon was well over 800.

I mentioned the meetings at Souris and Langdon, particularly, because of their international character; the fact that perhaps for the first time in history a Canadian Grand Lodge Communication was opened in the United States; and similarly for the first time a United States Grand Lodge Communication was opened in form in Canada.

VISITS TO OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

During the year I was able to accept invitations, and to attend the following gatherings in other Grand Jurisdictions.

June 11th and 12th: The annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Alberta at Edmonton.

June 18th and 19th: The Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan at Saskatoon, accompanied by the Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. Jackson.

August 19th and 20th: The Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Montana at Helena, accompanied by the Grand Secretary, and W. Bro. W. M. Frame, Past Master of Glenwood Lodge, as "Grand Chauffeur."

March 18, 19 and 20th: The Centennial Communication of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, accompanied by R.W. Bro. Harry Gray, Deputy Grand Master; R.W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson, Grand Secretary, and the following Past Grand Masters: M.W. Bro. William Douglas, Grand Historian; M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni, M. W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole, and M.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe.

As Freemasonry was first introduced into Manitoba by a dispensation granted by the Grand Lodge of Minnesota in 1864, our attendance at the Minnesota Centennial was made the occasion for the presentation of a bound manuscript written by M.W. Bro. Douglas; a manuscript that traced the early relationship between the Grand Jurisdiction of Minnesota and the Craft in Manitoba. I had the pleasure of making the presentation on behalf of this Grand Jurisdiction.

Sunday, July 27: The annual International Gathering at Masonic Island in Lake Metigoshe in the Turtle Mountains. Almost 200 Canadian Members were present, with an equal number of Americans, and their families. I was honored by by an invitation to give the Principal Address.

I was unable to accept invitations, much to my regret, to the annual International Gatherings at Lookout Point and at the Peace Garden, but was ably represented at these fine meetings by R.W. Bro. Gray, Deputy Grand Master; and R.W. Bro. Evans, Grand Senior Warden.

CONFERENCES

During the year I was privileged to attend the three Conferences at Banff, Montreal and Washington.

At Banff, Manitoba was represented by R.W. Bro. Gray, R.W. Bro. Jackson, M.W. Bro. Douglas, M.W. Bro. Blythe and myself. M.W. Bro. Blythe was president of the 1952 Conference, and M.W. Bro. Douglas gave an outstanding address at the opening session.

At the All-Canada Conference in Montreal, this Grand Jurisdiction was represented by the Deputy Grand Master, the Grand Secretary, and myself. I was alone at the Washington Conference.

The Banff Conference is held annually in early September; the All-Canada Conference is bi-annual. They are both interesting and enjoyable; inspiring to all those who have been intrusted with leadership. I heartily recommend continued membership. I will make further reference to the Washington Conference in a few minutes.

OTHER MEETINGS

I was delighted to accept invitations, and to attend the following meetings in this Grand Jurisdiction during the year:

June 27th—Glenwood Lodge, No. 27.

July 17th—International Night of the Sixth Masonic District at Deloraine.

October 27th—Ancient Landmark No. 3, where I saw the Grand Secretary raise his son.

November 3rd—Manitou Lodge No. 30.

November 4th—"The Assiniboine" Lodge No. 114 Annual Canadian Night.

November 20th—Northern Light No. 10.

November 22nd—Opening of the new Temple in East Kildonan.

November 23rd—Divine Service with Glenwood Lodge 27 in Souris.

December 2nd—Tweed Lodge No. 113, Past Masters' Night, with M.W. Bro. Donovan presiding.

December 4th—Reston Lodge "At Home."

December 9th—King Solomon Lodge No. 8 at Morris.

December 10th—Acacia Lodge No. 111 in East Kildonan.

December 11th—Beaver Lodge No. 139 in Winnipeg.

December 12th—Glenwood Lodge No. 27, when R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat was Installing Officer. He was assisted by the Deputy Grand Master, the Grand Secretary, the Grand Director of Ceremonies, and M.W. Bro. Blythe. Other Past Grand Masters present were M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni and M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan.

December 27th—Oriental Lodge No. 54 at Melita.

January 22nd—Mt. Sinai Lodge No. 143 in Winnipeg.

February 11th—Opening of the 30th Annual Grand Chapter Convocation in Winnipeg.

March 24th—Strathcona Lodge No. 117 at Belmont.

April 1st—St. John's Lodge No. 4 in Winnipeg.

April 9th—Reston Lodge No. 104 at Reston.

April 13th—Newdale Lodge No. 159 at Newdale.

April 16th—Composite Lodge No. 64 at Alexander.

April 22nd—Meeting of Elgin Lodge No. 86 held for the purpose of reorganization following the distastrous fire of April 14th in which they lost everything including their Charter.

April 26th—Annual Divine Service of the First Masonic District in Westminster Church in Winnipeg.

April 28th—Joint Meeting of Brandon Lodge No. 19, Tweed Lodge No. 113, and Fenwick Lodge No. 158, in Brandon.

May 3rd—Seventh Masonic District church service. St. Paul's Church, Brandon.

May 5th—Hartney Lodge No. 52 at Hartney.

May 7th—Friendship Lodge U.D. in Winnipeg.

May 10th—Annual Divine Service of the Sixth Masonic District in the United Church at Reston. The Grand Chaplain, R.W. Bro. Harold L. Newton, gave a challenging address.

May 21st—Meridian Lodge No. 140 in Winnipeg.

May 22nd—Glenwood Lodge No. 27 in Souris.

June 2nd—Grand Chapter of Manitoba, Order of the Eastern Star.

CONSTITUTION OF HARRY WOODS LODGE AT LUNDAR

One of the happy features of the year was that, as Grand Master, I was privileged to Constitute and Consecrate Harry Woods Lodge No. 164. This event was held at Lundar on Thursday, August 28th. The Officers were installed and invested and I was assisted in this ceremony by other Grand Lodge officers. Harry Woods Lodge, named after one of our most esteemed Past Grand Masters, has a particularly active membership with capable Officers, and I feel certain that the Lodge will contribute greatly to the community which it serves, and to the Grand Jurisdiction.

FIFTY-YEAR JEWELS

One of the pleasures of the Grand Master's year in office is the presentation of Fifty-Year Jewels to faithful members of the Craft. The following brethren were so honored this year:

Bro. Edwin W. Spence, Norwood Lodge No. 119, presented by V.W. Bro. N. McDonald at the residence of Bro. Spence on September 26th, 1952.

Bro. Thomas Sellar Cooke, Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1, presented at a meeting of the Lodge by M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence on October 21st, 1952.

W. Bro. Urquhart Fraser Mutch, Crystal Lodge No. 71, presented at Crystal City by M.W. Bro. E. T. Greenway on October 22nd, 1952.

W. Bro. Alexander R. Welsh, Doric Lodge No. 36, presented at Crystal City by M.W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran on October 22nd, 1952.

W. Bro. James A. F. Hill, Manitou Lodge No. 30, presented in Manitou Lodge No. 30 by M.W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran on November 3rd, 1952.

W. Bro. Edward Boyle, "The Assiniboine" Lodge No. 114, presented in "The Assiniboine" Lodge No. 114 by M.W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran on November 4th, 1952.

Bro. John H. Unger, King Solomon Lodge No. 8, presented at Plum Coulee by M.W. Bro. Walter C. McDonald on November 12th, 1952.

Bro. William Prophet, Acacia Lodge No. 111, presented by M.W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran at Acacia Lodge No. 111 on December 10, 1952.

R.W. Bro. William John Cobb, Oriental Lodge No. 54, presented in Oriental Lodge No. 54 by M.W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran on December 27th, 1952.

Bro. Harry Gerald Wade, "The Assiniboine" Lodge No. 114, presented in "The Assiniboine" Lodge No. 114 by R.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray on February 3rd, 1953.

Bro. Thomas A. Nelson, St. John's Lodge No. 4, presented in Vancouver, B.C., by V.W. Bro. Thos L. Dodsworth on February 16th, 1953.

Bro. William Hamilton, St. John's Lodge No. 4, presented in Vancouver, B.C., by V.W. Bro. Thos. L. Dodsworth on February 17th, 1953.

Bro. William Mowat, St. John's Lodge No. 4, presented in Ladner, B.C., by V.W. Bro. Thos. L. Dodsworth on February 19th, 1953.

Bro. Henry D. Coton, St. John's Lodge No. 4, presented in Victoria, B.C., by V. W.Bro. Thos. L. Dodsworth on February 23rd, 1953.

Bro. Robert Hind, St. John's Lodge No. 4, presented in York Lodge No. 156, Toronto, Ont., by R.W. Bro. W. R. McConnell on March 30th, 1953.

R.W. Bro. George A. Cowan, St. John's Lodge No. 4, presented in St. John's Lodge by M.W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran on April 1st, 1953.

Bro. Peter Shearer, Ionic Lodge No. 25, presented in Ionic Lodge No. 25 by R.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray on April 6th, 1953.

Bro. John A. Lang, Ionic Lodge No. 25, presented in Ionic Lodge No. 25 by R.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray on April 6th, 1953.

Bro. John Poole, Ionic Lodge No. 25, presented at his residence in Toronto by Bro. E. E. Habkirk on April 8th, 1953.

W. Bro. Thomas Mutter, Reston Lodge No. 104 presented in Reston Lodge No. 104 by M.W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran on April 9th, 1953.

Bro. Joseph Blyth Mitchell, Glenwood Lodge No. 27, presented at the International Area Meeting at Souris by M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas on May 1st, 1953.

R.W. Bro. Frank Wilbur Brownell, Ionic Lodge No. 25 and Seven Oaks Lodge No. 148, presented in Seven Oaks Lodge No. 148 by M.W. Bro. Wm. D. Lawrence on May 8th, 1953.

To be presented at the Annual Communication on June 3rd, 1953.

Bro. David Gall, Stonewall Lodge No. 12.

M.W. Bro. James S. MacEwing, Treherne Lodge No. 51.

R. W. Bro. George Reynolds Mackay, King Edward Lodge No. 93 and Lord Selkirk Lodge No. 137.

R. W. Bro. (Rev. Canon) Frederick William Goodeve, Norwood Lodge No. 119.

W. Bro. James Keller, Norwood Lodge No. 119.

At the time of the disastrous floods in England and Holland, consideration was given to the possible need for granting financial assistance to brethren of lodges in the stricken areas. The Grand Lodge of England was cabled as follows:

Sir Sydney A. White, Grand Secretary,

United Grand Lodge of England.

"Extending sincere sympathy in disastrous flood.

Is there to be a Masonic Flood Fund?

(Signed) Thomas C. Jackson,
Grand Secretary."

The following cablegram was received in reply:

"Very grateful for your sympathy and kind enquiries as to fund. My board meeting early to discuss later developments. Will keep you informed.

(Signed) White"

The reply received read:

"Your very kind cablegram was reported to our Board of General Purposes yesterday, and I was requested to convey sincere thanks and appreciation of your offer to help.

> "The Government is undertaking the responsibility of providing for the immediate needs of the victims in the way of food, clothing, and also, it is anticipated their permanent re-instatement where homes have been lost. This help will be augmented by the Lord Mayor's National Fund, to which Grand Lodge has contributed 1,000 Guineas on behalf of the whole Craft.
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> "At the moment, we have heard of very few of our own members who are in distress through the recent floods, but this, I think is to be expected, as it is much too early for those who have suffered to be able to assess their damage. Grand Lodge has, however, sufficient funds in hand to be able to give the necessary assistance."

As a result of this exchange of messages no further action was taken, but Constituent Lodges in Manitoba were advised by the Grand Secretary to make any donations or grants they might decide upon, directly to the National Flood Relief Fund.

At the time I expressed the feeling in a letter to the Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. Jackson, that it was in a sense wrong for us to retain inactive the surplus of the 1950 Red River Flood Relief Fund, when those who had donated so generously to us, were again being called on. Since then, the disposition of this fund has been decided upon by a special committee, and accepted by the Board. It should, however, be always remembered in future years, that the special fund now in existence, was created by the all-too-generous grants made by other Grand Lodges, and individuals, at the time of the 1950 flood.

Another matter that has caused me a considerable amount of concern is the number of Lodges that do not seem to recognize the authority of the Constitution. Perhaps it is typical of our times—the tendency to resent regulations and laws, enacted expressly for the common good, but which, to a certain extent, limit individual desires.

Grand Lodge Constitutions and Regulations are passed, and amended from time to time, at the Annual Communications, and should be respected until corrected or amended by constitutional means. Unless these provisions are respected, and enforced, there ensues a gradual break-down of democratic, constitutional authority. This has happened in a number of Grand Lodges, and should be avoided in this Grand Jurisdiction.

We must live up to the regulations decided upon by this Grand Lodge, and, if some provisions do not seem to meet with our approval, undertake to have them amended by constitutional procedure.

In a number of instances I have been unable to approve amendments to by-laws that, in my humble opinion, did not conform to the Constitution of this Grand Lodge. This occurred frequently in connection with the section of Lodge bylaws which governs the holding of regular meetings.

The Grand Master hasn't the power to grant a dispensation to change temporarily the date or the hour of a regular meeting; consequently I did not feel justified in approving Lodge by-law amendments that would permit a Master to do so, or even a Lodge itself.

However, in order that a Lodge may vary its period of recess, due to crop or other conditions, I suggest that due consideration should be given to the amending of Section 115 of the constitution at the next Annual Communication.

Throughout the year, as I indicated earlier in this address, I have endeavored to inspire, or create, a greater enthusiasm for Freemasonry.

We have every reason to be proud of the place that Freemasonry has occupied for centuries in the hearts and minds of free men; the influence it has exerted, not so much as an organization, but through its votaries as free men. We should come to realize more than we do, that the Principles of Freemasonry and Democracy are synonomous.

We need only recall the history of our Masonic ancestors of the mediaeval guilds of Europe, their close relationship with the Church during that period, their later association with Protestantism; and still later the leadership and foresight exhibited by the organizers of Speculative Freemasonry when they drafted their pattern for Universal Brotherhood, to fully realize the continuing influence that Freemasonry hsa exerted for centuries on world advancement.

That influence must continue if we are to be at all worthy of our ancestors.

In 1717, or shortly afterwards, the fathers of Speculative Freemasonry proclaimed Freemasonry's simple blue-print for Universal Brotherhood, in the strict secrecy of their lodges.

At a time when persecution and intolerance prevailed almost everywhere, there was no alternative.

Today, the need for secrecy with regard to our pattern for Universal Brotherhood has passed. As a matter of fact all thinking men today are beginning to realize, and admit, Freemasonry's claim that world peace, so urgently needed if mankind is to survive at all in this atomic age, can only be attained through tolerant recognition, and a better understanding of the beliefs and problems of other men.

Brethren, I submit that one of the great challenges to Freemasonry today is that of broadening its horizons. Our lodges are building men of character with a spirit of brotherhood. Our Grand Lodges should, somehow or other, unite to a greater extent than they do at present, in the building of Universal Freemasonry, by rendering all possible assistance and encouragement to our brethren in other lands where freedom and tolerance are not so safely anchored as here on this continent. Anything that can be done to strengthen Freemasonry (the spirit of Freemasonry) wherever Freemasonry is permitted to function, will, in the natural course of events, strengthen, and bring together the peoples of the free world. And survival will most certainly depend upon a broadening and strengthening of the free world.

I was particularly impressed with this need when I attended the Washington Conference of Grand Masters of North America. Seven Canadian Grand Lodges were represented as members; but present also at the conference were visitors, or guests, from such countries as Argentina, Costa Rica, Cuba, the Philippines, and the Grand Lodge of Germany, The United Grand Lodge of Germany.

The Grand Masters present from these countries all spoke in a similar vein, telling of bitter opposition and persecution from those who would throttle all freedom of thought and belief. Without exception they were present at Washington to urge recognition, and moral assistance through the exchange of literature, lodge publications and visitations.

I had two interesting conversations, one with M.W. Bro. Dr. Vogel, Grand Master of United Grand Lodge of Germany; and one, through an interpreter, with M.W. Bro. Febian Onsari, Past Grand Master of Argentina. I also had a few minutes conversation with M.W. Bro. Ray Denslow, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Missouri. M.W. Bro. Denslow spoke later on the subject "Masonry Abroad" at the annual meeting of the Masonic Service Association.

Bro. Denslow is a world-wide traveller in the interests of Freemasonry, and is considered to be an outstanding authority on what we term Foreign Relations.

In this connection I am convinced that our Manitoba representatives to all other Grand Lodges, with whom we are in fraternal relations, can be of great assistance in the betterment of foreign relations, and in the improvement of the spirit of understanding which is so urgently needed.

Many of our representatives to other Grand Jurisdictions, I feel, do not take their appointments too seriously; and those who do are perhaps inclined to become discouraged by the lack of response on the part of the Jurisdictions that they have the honor to represent.

In many cases our representatives may be somewhat uncertain as to their duties, and I suggest that some leadership might, to advantage, be undertaken by the Committee on Foreign Relations, in order to bring about inprovement in this connection, and to make our Grand Representatives happier in their positions.

To fill the vacancies that have occurred, from various reasons, I have recommended to the respective Grand Masters of the Grand Lodges concerned, the appointment of the following Grand Representatives:

Grand Lodge of Arkansas.......August 20, 1952
W. Bro. George H. Lucas, Bissett.

Grand Lodge of Kansas.......February 27, 1953
R.W. Bro. John Cuthill, Reston.

Grand Lodge of Missouri.......March 9, 1953
R.W. Bro. Thomas C. Jackson, Winnipeg.

Grand Lodge of The Netherlands.......May 2, 1953
R.W. Bro. W. Earl Glover, Roland.

Grand Lodge of New Jersey.......February 20, 1953
R.W. Bro. David Rothstein, Winnipeg.

Grand Lodge of North Dakota.......February 28, 1953
M.W. Bro. Walter C. McDonald, Roland.

Grand Lodge of South Carolina.......March 27, 1953
W. Bro. William M. Frame, Souris.

Grand Lodge of Victoria (Australia).......April 8, 1953
R.W. Bro. Alex R. Dick, Winnipeg.

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Grand Lodge of Arizona..........
R.W. Bro. Austin D. Blair

Grand Lodge of Rio de Janeiro..........
R.W. Bro. Harry L. Morrow

Grand Lodge of Santa Domingo..........
R.W. Bro. Evert L. White.

I was also pleased to approve the appointment of the following brethren as Grand Representatives of Manitoba near other Grand Jurisdictions:

Grand Lodge of Costa Rica..........December 18, 1952
R.W. Bro. M. J. Piza Gabriel, Cartago, C.R.

Grand Lodge of Guatemala..........May 23, 1953
V.W. Bro. Daniel W. Orbough, Guatemala City.

Grand Lodge of Iowa..........May 20, 1953
M.W. Bro. Clifford D. Jory, Sheldon Iowa.

Grand Lodge of North Dakota..........March 4, 1953
M.W. Bro. Harold S. Pond, Fargo, N.D.

Grand Lodge of Panama..........January 20, 1953
M.W. Bro. Andres Mojica, Panama, R.P.

Grand Lodge of Tennessee..........March 2, 1953
Bro. Harold H. Harter, Clarksville, Tenn.

At one of the Board meetings last fall I was asked to name a committee to study the question of redistribution of the Masonic Districts. In the belief that such a committee could not possibly complete its investigations and be ready to report at the Communication, I appointed the following committee:

M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni, chairman; M.W. Bro. Walter McDonald, M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington, M.W. Bro. Maurice Donovan, and R.W. Bro. Robert Emmett, all brethren well acquainted with the Province.

Some of the present districts are very difficult for a District Deputy Grand Master to supervise, and it is possible that a complete re-alignment of lodges may become necessary, as many things have to be taken into consideration.

For instance: a number of small lodges cannot be expected to meet the expense of a District while an equal number of strong lodges comprise an adjacent District. The matter of highway communications must also be kept in mind. There are many things to be given serious consideration, and the committee has been asked to make a very careful study of the whole grand Jurisdiction before attempting to make a report.

Looking backward over the year many things appear very vividly in my memory. First, the warmth of my reception everywhere, without exception. What a joy it has been to enter a Lodge, or a District Meeting, or an Area Meeting, and feel that I was being welcome, not only as Grand Master, but simply as a member of the Craft. But such, Brethren, is Freemasonry; something that is impossible to define.

And then the loyalty, encouragement and assistance of the other Grand Officers; some of them almost always present. One begins to fully realize how impossible it would be for a Grand Master to make any contribution to the Craft without such loyalty and assistance. My appreciation is deep and sincere.

I would like to mention each individually, but such would be out of place. I cannot refrain, however, from referring to the Grand Secretary and his assistants. The Grand Secretary's broad conception of the spirit of Freemasonry, and his judgment in the consideration of all constitutional matters, have been a source of strength, as well as assistance, throughout the year.

One cannot help but think of the future. I have already made some reference to Freemasonry's place in the improvement of international relations by association with other Grand Lodges. Every move towards this end must be undertaken with great care and firmly based on the landmarks of non-interference in politics and religion, but with a broad spirit of tolerance and understanding.

At home, in our own Grand Jurisdiction, I believe that interest in the interpretation of Freemasonry is increasing. New members are not now satisfied merely with witnessing the Degrees. I have been confirmed in this belief by the number of new members that have told me so after listening to my attempted discussions of the subject.

It is a development of the times, quite natural as a result of widening education; and it is an encouraging sign. But to survive, and to meet the claim that Freemasonry is a progressive science, we must meet the challenge and see that we train well our apprentices.

Let me quote the words of a former well known Grand Master:

> "I do not claim that Freemasonry of itself will remake the world. But in a society so precariously balanced between moral progress and destruction, it could be possible that the influence of Freemasonry, through the devotion of its members to the truths learned in the Lodge room, might swing the balance towards the way of life we desire.
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> "Let us look out beyond the confines of this Grand Jurisdiction and see bewildered humanity, groping for the truth, understanding and brotherhood that only can bring real peace. Let us realize the need for men of integrity, men with ideals and noble purpose, men inspired by the principles upon which our Order rests.
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> "Then let us give ourselves to the task we assumed when first we took our solemn obligations, and dream and work for a world that will truly be the Temple of a Great Architect."

M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole (7) on behalf of all the brethren present thanked M.W. Brother McMorran for his splendid Address and moved, seconded by M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan (113) that the Address be referred to the Committee on the Grand Master's Address. Carried.

PRESENTATION OF FIFTY-YEAR JEWELS

R.W. Bro. Rothstein, Grand Director of Ceremonies was requested to present at the Grand East, brethren who were to be presented with Fifty-year Jewels:

Brother Walter Lawson, St. John's Lodge No. 4—Initiated June 3, 1903

Brother David Gall, Stonewall Lodge No. 12—Initiated Jan. 14, 1903

M.W. Brother James S. MacEwing, Treherne Lodge No. 51—Initiated Aug. 7, 1899

W. Bro. James Keller, Norwood Lodge No. 119—Initiated May 26, 1903

R.W. Brother Frederick Wm. Goodeve, Norwood Lodge No. 119—Initiated, June 5th, 1903

R.W. Bro. George Reynolds MacKay—Initiated December 23, 1902.

The Most Worshipful Grand Master asked M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe (93) to make these presentations on his behalf. M.W. Bro. Blythe thanked the M.W. Grand Master for this privilege and while investing the recipients he remarked they had worked in the Temple of Freemasonry for 50 years and during that time they must have learned the peace of mind and the comfort of spirit which comes from living in love and harmony with one's fellow man. "You have," he said, "adopted the tenets and principles which mean so much to a Freemason and have learned the joy of doing good for the sake of good. You have learned the art of being friendly and have a host of friends on which to lean in these twilight hours of your lives." M.W. Bro. Blythe asked that they accept these jewels from their Grand Lodge as an emblem of appreciation for faithful service.

PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES OF HONORARY RANK

The Grand Director of Ceremonies presented to Most Worshipful Brother Gordon A. McMorran, Grand Master, M.W. Bro. George W. Christie, I.P.G.M. of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota; M.W. Bro. Edward J. Franta, Grand Master, of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota, who were presented with Certificates conferring the rank of Honorary Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, and W. Bro. Clinton M. Norton, Director of Masonic Education, Grand Lodge of Minnesota, to whom was presented a Certificate conferring the Honorary rank of Past District Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

In presenting these Certificates, Most Worshipful Brother McMorran said they were being given as a tangible token of our appreciation and esteem for their co-operation and their keen sense of loyalty as men and Freemasons, meeting as we are today, citizens from two different countries. In particular he welcomed our new R.W. Bro. Norton, to this, the Seventh consecutive Annual Communication at which he has been present.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Grand Secretary drew the attention of the brethren to the meetings of the First, Second and Seventh Masonic Districts which were to be held at the close of Grand Lodge, and to the meeting of the Eighth Masonic District to be held at 9.00 a.m. the following morning.

M.W. Bro. Maurice S. Donovan announced that the newly-elected District Deputy Grand Masters would be installed the following evening and he asked the retiring District Deputy Grand Masters to be present with their regalia so each may invest his successor in Office.

ADJOURNMENT

Grand Lodge was then adjourned at 10.15 p.m. to reconvene at 10.30 a.m. the following morning.

Second Day

THURSDAY, JUNE 4th, 1953

Morning Session

LABOR RESUMED

Grand Lodge was called from Refreshment to Labor at 10.30 a.m. by the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Gordon A. McMorran.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MASONIC RESEARCH AND EDUCATION

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through the Committee on Masonic Research and Education, begs to submit the following report covering the activities of the Committee during the Masonic year 1952-53.

While a supplementary report, dealing with the service of our Masonic Library, prepared by our Grand Librarian, is appended hereto; it is a pleasure to point out at the beginning of this report that our Library continues to be a source of inspiration and help to all the brethren who make use of it. For many of them, it is an open gateway to a newly-discovered world, where choicest treasurers may be found. The courtesy and co-operation of the Grand Librarian are always in evidence, while his experience with books makes him a most valued collaborator. In the Library one always receives a cordial welcome and finds a wholesome eagerness to be helpful in gaining access to whatever Masonic material is desired.

It is sincerely hoped that with such a wealth of Masonic information in our library we all might profit more and more by the inspiration that comes through the perusal and study of it.

Your Committee is pleased to make brief reference to the extended use of *Masonry in Manitoba* and is glad to report that we now have available on file and for reference purposes three bound volumes of the monthly issues covering the period from 1945 to 1952. For the outstanding effort involved in preparing and publishing this work, we are greatly indebted to M.W. Bro. William Douglas.

During the current year your Committee had endeavored to continue the policy of other years in making available a panel of speakers to assist in providing material for lodge meetings throughout the Province, in the hope of stimulating an interest in Masonic themes. While some lodges have asked for and received assistance through this means, it would seem that there is not a great demand for it. However, in the judgment of your committee the general plan should be continued.

During the year, too, an effort was made to locate and increase the use of the *Master's Handbook* which was prepared and distributed by your Committee on Masonic Research and Education in 1948. It is believed that a more generous use of this book would materially improve the efficiency and effectiveness of our Masonic work, and consequently, steps have been taken to keep this matter before the masters of all lodges within our grand jurisdiction.

Your committee is keenly interested in promoting the welfare of Masonry particularly in the rural areas of the province, and toward this end has been in close touch with the "Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry." Obviously an expression of opinion from the individual lodges as to how this interest might become more effective would be most helpful. In this day of modern appliance the question might well be raised regarding the desirability of supplementing our ritual by the use of film and stage, and by giving greater scope for the exemplification of work even though there may be no actual demand for the conferring of Degrees. The matter of "greater participation" should be given careful consideration with a view to creating a greater interest in the entire Craft. In this modern day there is a real competition for the use of leisure time and it would be folly for us to assume that our lodge attendance and the interest in the work of the order as a whole, is not being affected by it.

Your Committee is happy to call attention to the successful Area Meeting held in Portage la Prairie on April 23rd, and to point to the two unique international Masonic gatherings, one at Souris, Manitoba, on May 1st, and the other at Langdon, North Dakota, on May 11th. These outstanding meetings were stimulating in nature, inspiring in thought and deeply significant in producing a greater spirit of Masonic fellowship among the brethren and a stronger bond of international goodwill. It is heartily recommended that similar gatherings be anticipated in planning our programmes for future years.

It is a pleasure to make brief mention of the harmony that has prevailed within your Committee at all times while carrying out its work of the current year, and it is a source of satisfaction to refer to the splendid co-operation it has received from other Committees of the Board, and particularly from the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry. The aid given by the Board of General Purposes through valued suggestions, has been much appreciated and the generous personal assistance extended by our Most Worshipful Grand Master and our Right Worshipful Grand Secretary in planning for our Internation Area Meetings is hereby gratefully acknowledged.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted on behalf of the Committee,

J. R. C. EVANS,
Chairman.

This report was presented by R.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans (113) who moved its adoption, seconded by M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4) and carried.

REPORT OF GRAND LIBRARIAN

To R.W. Bro. John R. C. Evans,
Chairman, Committee on Masonic Research and Education.

Dear Sir and R.W. Brother:

With this I am enclosing a copy of the report which I am sending to R.W. Bro. Jackson, Grand Secretary, on my work as Grand Librarian for the year ended March 31, 1953.

Times Shuttle. The "shuttle" on our "Masonic web" has flown with unprecedented rapidity, bringing us face to face with many broken threads and many golden strands plucked from a worthy pattern of ideal conception. It may leave us with a sense of failure, but hope, which springs eternal in the human breast, knows no defeat. We shall banish and forget the failures of 1952-1953 while Faith, like a bright Morning Star, leads us on to a fair Eden of Masonic life.

I think I may say with confidence, that among the scores who have visited our storied walls your Librarian has derived more inspiration and profit than anyone else. This has come about through my many conversations with men who are seeking the wisdom and lore of past ages, and the still greater secrets of the life that lies beyond.

Variety of Inspiration. Books abound in the variety of their inspiration. It is characteristic of libraries in general that what inspires or teaches one type of mind may have little or no appeal to another type. This variety must be taken into account in a Library which is established to meet a specific need or purpose. One man may want to study biography, another prefers fiction, while still another may be attracted by poetry. A successful Library must be in a position to cater to all these forms of literary taste.

Selection of Books. It is a characteristic of the literary realm that in many instances books fail to indicate by their labels or titles what the authors are trying to convey. This truth is demonstrated with clarity and emphasis in a technical Library such as ours. The official responsible for the selection must have an active and well-trained mind. He must be familiar, at least, with elementary philosophy, and know where lines and types of thought are leading. A simple and innocent principle may be a decoy, but it may lead us into fields of great intellectual treasure. New worlds of knowledge are opening up every day; a universe of literature hitherto undreamed of is knocking at our doors. Stars of culture daily are bursting into view. Subjects of which the intelligentsia of yesterday were almost totally ignorant approach us now with a new challenge.

Our Library, I suggest, has one advantage in that its work is sponsored and guided by a group of sane thinkers who exercise skilled and balanced judgment. Here we are bringing many members of our Brotherhood into touch with a deep moral conception of life, through contact with outstanding works of past and present generations.

Statistics. During the year we welcomed visitors to the number of more than 40 per week, on the average, or a total in excess of 2,000. There is what may be called a reading-group of 65 Brethren who use the Library regularly. The number of books loaned was approximately 1,000. Breviaries on more than 60 topics, covering a wide field, have been prepared by me at the request of members who desired to present them to Lodges or Study Groups. Extensive research work was also done in connection with moral, philosophical and historical subjects for the benefit of visitors who lacked the facilities or the time to conduct investigations on their own, but who needed the material for the preparation of papers and addresses.

After the elimination of a large quantity of non-Masonic literature which occupied valuable space on our shelves, we now have a total of 2,268 volumes of carefully-selected and important material.

Appreciation. In closing my report, let me express my appreciation of the courtesies extended to me by the Board and the Brethren generally. In particular I desire to thank the Secretariat for advice and assistance afforded me at all times. I believe that my successor in office will be as highly-favored an official as I have been.

In grateful and fraternal acknowledgment,

GEORGE A. WOODSIDE,
Grand Librarian.

ADDRESS OF THE GRAND CHAPLAIN

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The last three days in the lives of most of us have been quite memorable. On June 2nd, we celebrated the coronation of our Beloved Queen; yesterday and today we have thrilled again to the activities of Grand Lodge.

In my humble way I would like to express appreciation, which by the way we must all feel, to the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Gordon A. McMorran, for the splendid contribution he has made to the cause of Masonry this year. I thank him and his Officers for the patience and help that they have expressed to me personally.

It is a privilege to have been Grand Chaplain this year. It is also a privilege to give this Address. What I have to say may make you mad, but it may also make you think, and we often do not think until we are mad. But what I say to you as brother Masons, I say to myself also.

In the centre of every Masonic Lodge, as in every Church, there is a Book. That Book is the Bible. The Light that lights our pathway through life comes from that Book. The Church has it and Masonry has it. The Church seeks to mould the lives of men and women in such a way that they will live according to the teachings of that Book, in harmony with God and man. This is a high purpose indeed. But the purpose of Masonry is as noble and as high.

I quote from the words of Joseph Fort Newton:

"Outside the House of God and the home, there is nothing in this world more beautiful than the spirit of Masonry. Gentle, gracious, and wise, its mission is to form mankind into a great redemptive brotherhood. Friendship first with God, the Great Companion, of whom our hearts tell us. To be in harmony with Him, to be open to His suggestions, to be conscious of fellowship with Him—this is Masonry on its God-ward side. Then turning man-ward, friendship sums it all up. To be friends with all men, however they may differ from us in creed, color, or condition—is there anything more or better than this, that the wisest and best men can do? Such is the Spirit of Masonry."

Thus we see that the Spirit of Masonry, and its purpose and the desire and aim of the Church, are parallel in their broad sweep.

And what I say to you, I say to you not only as Masons, but as men who believe in a Supreme Being.

Here lies the tragedy of our race;

Not that men are poor; all men know something of poverty.

Not that men are wicked; who can claim to be good?

Not that men are ignorant; who can boast that he is wise?

But that men are strangers!

Human history, saturated with blood, and blistered with tears, is but the story of man making friends with man. Into this story long ago came the Masonic Order. At its Altar men met as man to man, without vanity and without pretence; without fear and without reproach; who can tell the good that such a ministry has wrought as year followed year?

But even as the Church is judged by its members, so is Masonry judge by its Craftsmen. In the eyes of the "man in the street" to be a Mason is to be different from other men. Believe me I know it to be true. People expect something better from us. They expect more friendship, more sympathy, more help.

There may be some secrets in Masonry, but there is no secret about our noble and high ideals. Men expect us to be better men, because we are Masons. Better fathers, better business people, better neighbors.

The truth is, and I say it with shame, and if we are honest with ourselves, and with our God, we will admit it. The difference isn't noticeable. Our aims are high, the principles of our Order are undeniably exalted, but we are just playing with Masonry . . . or too many are.

My point is this; that a man can not be one thing with his lips and not show it in his life. He cannot subscribe to the ideals of our Craft, without evasion, equivocation, and mental reservation, unless he expects to display before all men the natural outcome of such an obligation. In other words, if a man is sincere in his Masonry it will show in his life. Too many are giving lip-service only. Hearing month by month the high ideals of Masonry, isn't enough. We must act upon them and show them in what we are, how we act, and what we say.

If I understand our aims correctly, and I think I do, they seek to change a man for the better. In every case, I think, when men become good Masons, they are changed. But so often they go on as they have always done and no change can be seen.

I am sure Masonry isn't at fault. It makes a man aware of the spark of the Divine within him. It makes him see other men as his brothers, and exhorts him to act accordingly. Masonry isn't at fault, but many who are Masons may be at fault.

I have heard men say of a Church, "that Church is unfriendly and cold, no one spoke to me or made me welcome, so I will not go back again." God forgive us, it is so often true.

I have heard men say of a Lodge, "I joined but I haven't been back very often. Once I had been initiated no one seemed to worry much about me. I do not understand it anyway, and no one explained it to me."

My brothers; this is the tragedy of our race, "that men are strangers."

The Lodge that can bridge this gap and make men feel at home—and not wish that they were at home—will not go begging for candidates. Sometimes I wonder, if we were to lose our name, the name of Masons, lose it as completely as the secrets of a Master Mason were lost, whether people would know by our lives, our words and deeds, that we were Masons, or would they see in us any difference from other people. Would they ever take notice of us, that we belonged to a noble and historic Craft. Would people know that we were brothers, without seeing our insignia of the square and compass.

There is much that is distinctive in Freemasonry, much that sets its patrons apart, much that distinguishes them from others. My plea is for each and every one of us to apply its teachings more closely to our lives—to live its precepts—to hold more zealously to the ancient landmarks. There is nothing wrong with Masonry, "if we do not let it down, it will never let us down." I hate to hear people run down the Craft; I hate to hear its own members belittle its worth.

A young Parson so the story goes, had worked hard in a certain town for five years. He had done all he could to inspire his flock. The response was very small. At last becoming very discouraged, he stood up in Church one Sunday and said. "This Church is dead. The thing therefore to do is to hold a funeral service. This we will do next Sunday at 11 a.m."

As you can imagine the word got around. Next Sunday the Church was full. Sure enough at the front there was a coffin. There were funeral hymns, funeral prayers and a funeral oration. Then said the young Parson, "anyone desiring to view the remains may do so. Just form up on this side and file reverently past." All present stood and slowly filed past the coffin. As they did so they glanced inside. With shameful faces they then passed on out of the Church. At the bottom of the coffin was a mirror; as each person went by he saw himself.

I say to the Mason who is not happy in the Craft, and to the brother who feels that Lodge isn't what it should be—and is ready to knock it—take a look at yourself, take a good look, you may be the one at fault. The same applies to your home, your Church and your community. What are you doing to further the labor: would anyone know by what you are doing that you are a Mason?

May God bless our efforts in the coming year, and strengthen the hands of the Grand Master and his Officers.

The Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother McMorran thanked the Grand Chaplain for his splendid Address. He remarked that any Address which makes us think is of great value. "Your Address" he remarked "has done so to a great extent."

M.W. Bro. Douglas (4) in commenting on how much he had enjoyed this Address, suggested the possibility of the Grand Chaplain making a tape recording which could be distributed to Rural Lodges. He felt this would enable the Grand Chaplain's emphasis, feeling and personality to be enjoyed by all who could hear such a recording and be much more satisfactory than just reading the Address as printed in the Proceedings.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

NOTICE OF MOTION

It was moved by W. Bro. A. E. Boyle (114), seconded by R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy (4) that Section 3 be repealed and the following substituted therefor:

> "3—Every member of Grand Lodge (except those brethren who hold honorary rank) must have been a member in good standing of a constituent lodge in Manitoba for at least six months immediately preceding the date of the Annual Communication. The membership of Grand Lodge shall be composed of:
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> (*a*) Masters, Wardens and Past Masters of constituent lodges who are qualified under the provisions of Paragraph One of this section; and
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> (*b*) Brethren who hold honorary rank in this Jurisdiction."

Due to considerable discussion of the above Motion, W.Bro. A. E. Boyle (114), seconded by R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy (4) amended the above to read as follows, which amendment, when put to the vote, was carried. That Section 3 be repealed and the following substituted therefor:

> "3. The membership of Grand Lodge shall be composed of:
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> (*a*) Masters, Wardens and Past Masters of Constituent Lodges.
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> (*b*) Brethren who hold honorary rank in this Jurisdiction; provided however, that for purposes of balloting, a member of Grand Lodge must have been a member in good standing of a constituent lodge in Manitoba for at least six months immediately preceding the date of the Annual Communication."

Section 27:

It was moved by R.W. Bro. John Norquay (2), seconded by R.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4) that Section 27 be amended as follows:

> By deleting in the fourth line thereof the words "on the Thursday" and substituting therefor the words "on the 15th day of March immediately."

By adding at the end of the first paragraph of said Section the following: "after the period for the completion of the nominations has closed, the Grand Secretary shall compile a list of the nominees for the respective offices concerned and for the Board, and shall mail a copy of this list to all constituent lodges of this Grand Jurisdiction at least 60 days before the opening day of the Next Annual Communication."

By deleting sub-sections (*a*) and (*b*) of said section and substituting therefor as sub-sections (*a*), (*b*) and (*c*), the following:

"(*a*) In the year 1954 and in each alternate year thereafter only members of Grand Lodge whose respective lodges are situate in Greater Winnipeg, shall be eligible for nomination for election to the office of Junior Grand Warden.

(*b*) In the year 1955 and in each alternate year thereafter, only members of Grand Lodge whose respective lodges are situated in that part of Manitoba, outside of Greater Winnipeg, shall be eligible for nomination for election to the office of Junior Grand Warden.

(*c*) In the case of any member of Grand Lodge holding membership in a lodge or lodges in Greater Winnipeg, and also in a lodge or lodges outside that area, being nominated for the office of Junior Grand Warden, his eligibility shall be determined by his place of residence."

The motion was lost.

Section 43

It was moved by W. Bro. A. E. Boyle (114), seconded by R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy (4), that Section 43 be repealed and the following substituted therefor:

> "Every Officer of Grand Lodge or District Deputy Grand Master or member of the Board must be a Past Master of a constituent lodge in Manitoba and a member of Grand Lodge."

After some discussion W. Bro. A. E. Boyle, seconded by R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy amended the original Amendment by deleting the words "in Manitoba" and the amendment to Section 43 was then carried as amended, and now reads as follows:

> "Every Officer of Grand Lodge or District Deputy Grand Master or member of the Board must be a Past Master of a constituent lodge and a member of Grand Lodge."

NOTICE OF MOTION

Section 44

It was moved by R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy (4), seconded by W. Bro. A. E. Boyle (114), that Section 44 be repealed and the following substituted therefor:

> "Should any office in Grand Lodge, or membership on the Board become vacant, the Grand Master may appoint a qualified member to fill such vacancy, the appointee to serve until the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge. Provided that if such vacancy

> occur in the office of Deputy Grand Master, Senior Grand Warden, or Junior Grand Warden, the appointee shall be a Past Grand Master.
>
> In all cases, the vacancies shall be filled at the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge."

This motion was carried.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Section 64 (*a*)

It was moved by R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat (139), seconded by R.W. Bro. Rothstein (141):

> That Section 64 (*a*) be amended by deleting the word "Board" in line 5 and substituting therefor "Grand Secretary." This paragraph would then read:
>
> "The Board shall have power to appoint an Executive Secretary who shall hold office at the pleasure of the Board and shall perform such duties as the Grand Secretary may direct."

This motion was carried.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Section 90

> That Section 90 be amended by deleting the following paragraph: "For a Life Member, five dollars, which shall be placed to the credit of the Benevolent Endowment Fund."

This motion was withdrawn.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Section 91:

It was moved by R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy (4), seconded by W. Bro. A. E. Boyle (114):

> That Section 91 be amended as follows: Where dealing with the Jewel of the District Deputy Grand Master, the word "number" be deleted and the word "name" substituted therefor.

This motion was carried.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Section 117:

It was moved by W. Bro. A. E. Boyle (114), second by R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy (4):

> That Section 117 be amended by adding the following paragraph: "A majority vote of the members present shall be required to pass a motion or resolution at a lodge meeting. In the event of a tie vote, the Master or Presiding Officer shall declare the motion or resolution lost."

This motion was carried.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Section 126 (*c*)

That Section 126 (*c*) be amended by deleting the last sentence and substituting the following:

"No degree shall be conferred except in the presence of a Master or a Past Master, provided that no member who is not a Master or a Past Master may confer that part of any degree which is an Obligation or a Raising."

This motion was withdrawn.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Sections 163 and 169:

It was moved by R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy (4), seconded by W. Bro. A. E. Boyle (114):

That Sections 163 and 169 be amended by deleting the word "application" where it appears in said sections, and substituting therefor the word "petition."

This motion was carried.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Section 170:

It was moved by W. Bro. A. E. Boyle (114), seconded by R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy (4):

That Section 170 be amended by adding the following sentences: "This notice shall be placed on file by the other lodges as a matter of record only. The name of the rejected petitioner shall not be read in those lodges, nor entered in their minutes."

This motion was carried.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Section 172:

It was moved by R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy (4), seconded by W.Bro. A. E. Boyle (114):

That Section 172 be amended by adding after the words, "in good standing," in the second line thereof, the words, "who is not a member of such lodge and."

This motion was carried.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Section 176:

It was moved by M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan (158), seconded by W.Bro. A. E. Boyle (114):

That Section 176 be amended by adding the following paragraph: "Provided that any member holding dual membership and becoming suspended for any reason from one lodge, will be automatically suspended from all lodges."

This motion was carried.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Section 179:

> That Section 179 be amended by adding the following as Section 179 (*a*):
>
> "No degree shall be conferred except in the presence of a Master or a Past Master, provided that no member who is not a Master or a Past Master may confer that part of any degree which is an Obligation or a Raising."

This motion was withdrawn.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Section 187:

It was moved by R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy (4), seconded by W.Bro. A. E. Boyle (114):

> That Section 187 be amended by deleting the last five words of said section namely: "when his petition is accepted" and substituting the following: "of his election to membership."

This motion was carried.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Sections 216 and 217:

It was moved by R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy (4), seconded by W.Bro. A. E. Boyle (114):

> That Section 216 be amended by inserting after the word "suspension" where it appears in the first and third lines thereof, the words "or expulsion."

and that Section 217 be amended—

> by inserting after the word "suspension" where it appears in the second line thereof, the words "or expulsion."

This motion was carried.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Sections 216, 217 and 218:

It was moved by W.Bro. A. E. Boyle (114), seconded by R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy (4):

> That the number of the present Section 216 be amended to read Section "217."
> That the present number of the present Section "217" be amended to read Section "218."
> That the number of the present Section "218" be amended to read Section "216."

NOTICE OF MOTION

Sections 223 and 224:

It was moved by R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy (4), seconded by W.Bro. A. E. Boyle (114):

> That Section 223 be amended by inserting after the word "suspension" where it appears in the first and second lines thereof, the words "or expulsion."

and that Section 224 be amended

> by inserting after the word "suspension" where it appears in the second and fifth lines thereof, the words "or explusion."

This motion was carried.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Section 225:

It was moved by R. W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy (4), seconded by W. Bro. A. E. Boyle (114):

> That Section 225 be repealed, and the following substituted therefor:
>
> "Restoration after suspension or expulsion for a Masonic offence may be made only in the following manner: The petitioner shall file with the Grand Secretary, a petition in writing stating the ground on which he desires action to be taken. The Grand Secretary shall refer the petition to the Committee on Jurisprudence and Appeals which shall make a report to the Board.
>
> In the case of suspension, the Board, after receiving the report shall have power to deal with and dispose of the same.
>
> In the case of expulsion, the Board, after receiving such report shall make a recommendation to Grand Lodge which shall have power to deal with and dispose of same."

This motion was carried.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Section 226:

It was moved by R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy (4), seconded by W. Bro. A. E. Boyle (114):

> That Section 226 be repealed and the following substituted therefor:
>
> "The Board in the case of suspension, and the Grand Lodge in the case of expulsion, may grant, dismiss or otherwise deal with the petition for restoration. If the petition be granted, the petitioner shall have the standing of a non-affiliated Freemason, and the Grand Secretary shall issue a certificate to that effect."

This motion was carried.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Section 227:

It was moved by M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan (158), seconded by W.Bro. A. E. Boyle (114):

> That Section 227 be amended by adding the following as Section 227 (*c*):

> "Provided that any member holding dual membership and becoming suspended for any reason from one lodge will be automatically suspended from all lodges."

This motion was carried.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Section 230:

It was moved by R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy (4), seconded by W.Bro. A. E. Boyle (114):

> That Section 230 be amended by adding thereto, the following: "including suspension in any other lodge or lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction of which he is a member."

This motion was carried.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Section 12 of the Regulations:

It was moved by W. Bro. A. E. Boyle (114), seconded by R.W.Bro. K. R. Kennedy:

> That the word "medal" where it appears in the first, fourth and seventh lines be deleted and the word "jewel" be substituted therefor.
>
> That the word "had continuous" in the second line, be deleted and the word "held" submitted therefor.

After much discussion, the first part of the Amendment relating to the words "medal" and "jewel" was defeated.

The second paragraph relating to the words "had continuous" and "held" was carried.

GREETINGS FROM DISTINGUISHED GUEST

In bringing greetings M.W. Bro. E. J. Franta, Grand Master of North Dakota, remarked:

"Many Masonic pleasures have been mine since it was my privilege to be with you a year ago; quite a number of visitations and those two Historic International Area Meetings on May 1st and May 11th.

Besides fraternizing with so many of you, I have profited greatly in my Masonic efforts by association with many of your Grand Lodge Officers and Past Grand Masters at meetings in various parts of Canada and the United States.

I bring you the heartiest greetings and fraternal love of more than 14,000 North Dakota Masons and give voice to their prayers that our brotherliness may become more intense year after year.

I am grateful for your kind invitation to be present here and your unbounded hospitality in entertaining Mrs. Franta and me. I cannot express in mere words, my feelings on having been made an Honorary Past Grand Master of this Grand Lodge, and I pray I may prove to be deserving of the faith thus expressed."

ADJOURNMENT

The Grand Lodge Session was adjourned at 12.20 p.m. to enable the brethren to attend the Luncheon given under the auspices of the Past Masters' Association of Greater Winnipeg.

GRAND LODGE LUNCHEON

A Complimentary Luncheon was provided for the out-of-town brethren and distinguished guests by the Past Masters' Association of Greater Winnipeg, supported by the Lodges comprising the First and Twelfth Masonic Districts, Kildonan Lodge No. 131 and The Dormer Lodge No. 151 in the Tenth Masonic District.

Luncheon was served at 12.30 noon with the President of the Past Masters' Association, V.W. Bro. Alex. E. Duff (130) in the Chair. W. Bro. B. Stuart Parker (4) introduced the guest speaker, Bro. Rev. Dr. W. G. Martin, Pastor of Grace United Church, Winnipeg, who gave the following Address:

At midnight on Monday last when the world was waiting with feverish excitement and unbridled expectation for the momentous hour when the sound of chiming bells, the chanting of choirs and the shouts of a myriad people would proclaim the glad tidings that Elizabeth the Second was crowned Queen of the British Commonwealth of Nations, there flashed forth a bit of news which sent a new thrill of joy and triumph vibrating through every British heart, indeed, through the heart of every true lover of high adventure everywhere. It was the news of the conquest of Everest after thirty-four years of gallant and daring attempts, when men faced well-nigh superhuman difficulties and endured unspeakable hardship and suffering in a valiant effort to scale the precipitous, storm-bound heights. One after another previous expeditions were doomed to failure, sometimes with the goal almost within their reach, but this last expedition after two unsuccessful attempts, reached their Eldorado, conquered the defiant, ice-enthroned giant and planted that bit of bunting, respected and revered by tens of millions of people and known to all the world as the Union Jack, on the top-most peak of earth's highest and most forbidding mountain.

The greatest thrill was that this latest achievement of British doggedness and determination came on the eve of the day which marked the birth of a new era in the life of our great Commonwealth.

The achievement recalled the film "Silent Barriers," a dramatic portrayal of a glorious epic in the history of our young Nation, namely, the carrying out of a titanic engineering feat whereby a ribbon of steel climbed mountain passes, skirted the edges of precipes and wormed its way through mountains of rock and stone. Thus was built a mighty highway of transportation which linked the Atlantic with the Pacific. The difficulties encountered were deemed sufficient to break the courage of the stoutest wills and baffle every ingenuity of engineering skill. But these intrepid adventurers, like the men of Everest, resolved to see it through, displaying a spirit of stirring courage and confidence which declared that nothing should stand between them and their chosen goal. At last the silent barriers gave way, and one more man exercised the power with which the Almighty had endowed him when he placed in his hand the sceptre of dominion over all things in heaven and in earth.

It brings to mind the poet's words,

"No easy hopes or lies
Shall bring us to our goal,
But real iron sacrifice
Of body, will, and soul."

Likewise it recalls James Russel Lowell's famous lines in "The Vision of Sir Launfaly. "Earth gets her price for what earth gives us. 'Tis heaven alone may be had for the asking." The first part of Lowell's words we accept, but concerning the latter—a heaven which involves no effort, no sacrifice, no tribulation, no shedding of blood, would not be worth the having. For everything we have today which makes life worth the living somebody has had to pay a great price and has made a heroic assault upon silent barriers.

In the city of Toronto there stands the headquarter office of the Canadian Bank of Commerce building which is the highest building in the British Empire. Up on the thirty-fourth story there is a promenade flanked by four colossal figures each hewn in stone and representing "Observation, Foresight, Courage, and Enterprise." When we turn the pages of our brief, but romantic history, we realize what a vital place these qualities of character played in progress and development of our nation. Observation—Our forebears, the pioneers of our civilization, beheld acres of diamonds at their very feet; Foresight—They dipped into the future and saw an Empire yet to be; Courage—They followed up their dreams with tenacity of purpose; Enterprise—They were ready at any cost to bring their dream castles out of the skies and plant them firmly upon the earth.

Years ago in New England when there were no good roads and railway travel was scarce, and rough rude mountain trails were the only medium of transportation, the people of the Eastern States were suffering severely from a milk famine. Men realized how painfully slow was the progress from New York State where milk was plentiful to the Coast where need was great. Looking at the stubborn mountains which stood between supply and demand, a railroad contractor said, "We must tunnel that mountain. Never again can we afford to block the passage to the West." Some who listened, laughed. Others were scornful and shook their heads. Years passed by, and at last the tunnel was built. The man of faith said, "Gentlemen, in that day when I stood before this mountain and realized that on the other side were men who had, and on this side were men who had not, I said that we must go through, and gentlemen, believe me, there will come a day when every mountain that stands between man's need and his neighbor's answer to that need will be tunneled through." Would to heaven that every man of us, leaders and followers, captains of industry, economists, statesmen, educators, artisans, etc., would resolve that by our effort and enterprise that dream shall come true.

Someone has said that the Nations of the world face seven deadly sins—Policy without Principles; Wealth without Work; Pleasure without Conscience; Knowledge without Character; Commerce and Industry without Morality; Science without Humanity; Worship without Sacrifice. These are mountains that stand between man's need and his neighbor's answer to that need, and they challenge us to the pick and shovel job of self-denying service to see that the mountains are tunneled through.

Sir Owen Seaman's famous lines epitomize what is pure religion and undefiled and what constitutes the true creed of every loyal citizen in the world.

"To steel ourselves against the lust of ease;
To find our welfare in the general good;
To hold together merging all degrees
In one wide Brotherhood.
To teach that he who saves himself is lost;
To bear in silence though our heart may bleed;
To spend ourselves and never count the cost,
For others' greater need."

One delightful aspect of this gathering is its international complexion. Often we sound the praises of that mystic border-line that marks the division of the territories of our two great countries, and to which one after-dinner speaker referred in eloquent language as being "one hundred miles long, and across which no gun had sounded in anger in 3000 years." I am not so sure that it is a silent barrier, for the only articles that have free entry are goodwill messages, and hockey and football players. But there is something of which no customs barriers or political boundaries can take cognizance, namely, the spirit of goodwill and good neighborliness which exists between our two peoples. We are a common stock, we speak a common tongue, we worship at a common shrine, and together we can sing of a sweet land of liberty knowing that across every wide acre and from every mountain-side the echoing music of the bells of freedom ring forth their merry chimes.

In our Canadian city of Regina the Coronation decorations on the main thoroughfare were the Union Jack and the Stars and Stripes. In New York's Radio City during Coronation Week the ballet was attired in the dress of the British Grenadiers and a replica of the State Coach moved across the stage. "And why not?" we ask. For in these days we need one another. And it is in recognition of that need and in the faith and will to respond to it that we should go forward together an example to all the nations of mankind of the true meaning and inner significance of International Amity, Understanding, Co-operation, and Goodwill.

A great Canadian Statesman, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, expressed his declaration of faith as to the destiny of our Dominion when he said that the Twentieth Century belongs to Canada. He spoke truer than he realized, for neither he nor any other of his generation dreamed of the magic unfolding of the illimitable treasures of our natural resources. It's a good thing to be a citizen of this fair and bounteous land. Even individuals who are indoctrinated with the virus of ideals and isms which seek to destroy the freedom and happiness of our Democratic way of life, would decline with thanks the offer of a one-way ticket to the land of their dreams. But in the light of current world history I am swift to realize that we should revise Sir Wilfrid's Declaration of Faith and say that the twentieth century belongs to the two self-governing nations of the North American continent.

James Hilton, the writer of "Good-bye Mr. Chips" said, "As an Englishman who loves America one thing is today the brightest hope in a pretty hopeless world. It is the emerging shape of something that may eventually be born. Not out of a clause in a Treaty, but out of the hearts of men who fight the same battle in the same mood." All this indicates that the bond of Fellowship and Understanding and Good Neighborliness that unites us is not something which can be interpreted in terms of International Agreements, Pacts, Covenants. God knows that these instruments fashioned and shaped to produce world unity and peace are sometimes very faulty and ineffective, now I shall run the risk of being dubbed old-fashioned. I do not mind that, inasmuch as many apostles of new-fashioned ways of life accomplish nothing more than to blaze trails of blood, slaughter, and unspeakable woe. So I take my side on the old-fashioned way of life when I declare that the only bond of fellowship which will stand the test is that whose essence is Spiritual. In other words in these days we must see to it that the Spiritual armament of the nation is kept in good repair. A cartoon appearing in the *New York Times* depicts a jet plane travelling at a fantastic rate of speed, an evidence of man's scientific progress, and below it, on the ground, a giant turtle moving slowly and ponderously, an evidence of man's moral progress. It sounds like a threadbare platitude to say that the grim tragedy of our modern civilization is that we have cultivated a philosophy of life based upon a materialistic evaluation of mankind. Economic stability, military might, political wisdom, are important of course, but moreso is the demand for all the moral and physical strength that the people can muster.

Tuesday last witnessed the glorious scene of a radiant young woman dedicating herself to the service of her people and her God. The thought imbedded in the minds and consciences of millions of people who listened to the Coronation broadcast was that only by moral and spiritual dedication can we cope successfully with the problems confronting the nations of the world, and only through the development and use of spiritual resources and religious faith shall we be able to face today's tensions with courage and find ourselves equal to breaking down the bridge-heads of cynicism which are being established within the territory of the minds of men, particularly of the youth of the world of today.

I offer it as my opinion, indeed my conviction, that more attention should be paid by those in authority to instilling within the minds of the growing generation who, within a few years, will assume places of responsibility and leadership in the life of the Community and the Nations, a knowledge of the vital role which religion has filled in crucial moments of history and how intimately related are spiritual values to the onward march of civilization. This is a challenge to the family, the school, and the church. We need to focus the attention of youth on those virtues which are the life and soul of our Masonic Fellowship, based upon faith in God as the Supreme Architect of human destiny, namely, Integrity, Generosity, Humility, and Compassion, confident that if these qualities of noble living find rootage in the minds, wills, and purposes, and later, in the enterprises of the rising generation, the citizenry of tomorrow will be less prone to pessimism, fear and mistrust, than are the peoples of today. Also, there will be a marked increase in the spirit of tolerance of racial and religious difference, more generous respect for opposite political views, and a more brotherly attitude towards the lives of those who dwell on lower social and economic levels, recognizing the dignity of the individual man and woman whatever be their station in life.

A generous and bountiful past has bequeathed to us a rich estate. We are stewards of a great trust, and it is for us to recognize the virtue of our stewardship by seeing to it that we pass on our heritage ennobled and increased to those who follow after. The pioneer spirit of our fathers must be kept alive. During the Battle of Britain there appeared a full-page announcement in a daily paper in the City of Bristol which was desolated by the bombings. The announcement read as follows: "In the language of the city architect, we must build a better and a freer city. It will arise anew, noble and strong, beautiful and full of character, with no loss of its traditions and glories. We can, and must build again." That, brethren is Democracy's battle cry in this hour—that is the united task of the two nations represented here today—going forward hand in hand, heart beating with heart, resolved that we will build a cleaner, better, happier world made of cleaner, better, happier men.

The glory of this our Faith must be the mighty Everest of all our strivings, and the heaven-baptised goal of all our seeking.

The words of Longfellow, quoted by Mr. Churchill during the critical days of the war, apply to every freedom-loving, peace-aspiring nation everywhere—

"Sail on, O Ship of State,
Sail on, O Union Strong and Great.
Humanity with all its fears,
With all the hopes of future years
Is hanging breathless on thy fate."

W. Bro. George Lardner (139) thanked the guest speaker for such a fine and inspiring Address.

V.W. Bro. Alex. E. Duff, President of the Association, proposed the Toast to the M.W. Grand Master, who thanked the brethren for the kind remarks which had been made about him. Bro. J. Roy Firth entertained the gathering with some fine solos.

R.W. Bro. G. J. Long, (6), thanked the Past Masters' Association and through them, the Host Lodges for the fine luncheon, the inspiring Address and the enjoyable time had by all.

Afternoon Session

THURSDAY, JUNE 4th, 1953

LABOR RESUMED

The Grand Lodge was called from Refreshment to Labor by the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Gordon A. McMorran at 2.45 p.m.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTE ON INVESTMENTS

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Investments begs to report that during the year ended March 31st, 1953, the par value of Bond Investments of Grand Lodge were increased by $3,300.00.

By:		
The purchase of Dominion of Canada 3% Bonds, maturing Sept. 1, 1966		$15,300.00
Less:		
By redemption, on maturity of Province of Saskatchewan Bonds	$11,000.00	
1 Dominion of Canada Bond	1,000.00	
		$12,000.00
		$ 3,300.00

Funds for Investment were made available as follows:

Donation from Constituent Lodges and individual brethren	$ 1,123.55
Balance realized from the Andrew Brown Estate	729.17
Bequest from William Boyd Estate	500.00
Life Membership Fees	730.00
	$ 3,082.72

Respectfully submitted,

N. J. BLACK,
Chairman.

This report was presented by the Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson (3) and it was moved by M.W. Bro. N. J. Black (3), seconded by W. Bro. C. Ross (111) that it be adopted. Carried.

DECLARATION OF CLOSE OF BALLOT

At this point, the Most Worshipful Grand Master stated it was 3.00 p.m. and he declared the Ballot closed.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Finance begs to submit the following report:

All matters with respect to the General Fund of Grand Lodge have been carefully considered and handled. Meetings were held regularly each month with several special meetings also being held.

Statement of Income and Expenditure as at March 31st, 1953, is as follows:

Income Budgeted	$27,240.00
Income Actual	24,929.10
Expenditures Budgeted	29,871.00
Expenditures Actual	23,940.91
Surplus as at March 31, 1952	24,107.68
Excess of Income over Expenditure	988.19
Surplus as at March 31, 1953	$25,095.87

The Committee has much pleasure in reporting that the renovation of the Grand Lodge Regalia approved at the last Annual Communication has been taken care of in a most satisfactory manner.

The Committee felt that some thought should be given to the matter of "Public Liability" Insurance, to protect the Grand Lodge for liability which might arise as a result of accidents occurring on the premises of Grand Lodge or of any of the Constituent Lodges, both as to bodily injury and property damage. A Winnipeg firm was asked to submit rates for various coverages to which the Committee gave careful consideration, and in due course a "Public Liability and Property Damage" Policy was placed to the satisfaction of your Committee and which action was subsequently approved by the Board of General Purposes.

Your Committee also held a special meeting dealing with the clarification of Section 81 of the Constitution as it affects the workings of the Grand Secretary's Office, and in consequence an Amendment to the Constitution was drawn up for presentation by a member to this Grand Lodge Communication.

This Committee wishes to express its sincere thanks to our Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson for his able assistance and keen interest. Our thanks also to his staff for their ready co-operation at all times.

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. MOWAT,
Chairman.

This report was presented by R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat (139) who moved its adoption, seconded by R.W. Bro. D. Rothstein (141). Carried.

BUDGET—1953-54

INCOME

	Budget 1952-53	Actual 1952-53	Estimated 1953-54
Dues	$21,500.00	$21,234.25	$22,000.00
Initiations	1,400.00	1,444.00	1,400.00
Master Mason Certificates	1,400.00	1,516.00	1,400.00
Life Membership Certificates	100.00	142.00	100.00
Past Master Certificates	90.00	82.50	90.00
Dispensations	150.00	189.00	150.00
Bond Interest	300.00	300.00	300.00
Benevolent Fund Administration fee	300.00	300.00	300.00
Stock	2,000.00	1,818.40	2,000.00
	$27,240.00	$27,026.15	$27,740.00

EXPENDITURE

	Budget 1952-53	Actual 1952-53	Estimated 1953-54
Salaries	6,750.00	7,415.00	9,700.00
Grand Lodge Communication			
Proceedings	3,600.00	3,202.15	1,300.00
Other Expenses			2,000.00
Consecration and Constitution			300.00
Masonry in Manitoba	2,300.00	2,299.30	2,650.00
Annuities	400.00	483.76	500.00
Library	1,400.00	1,499.31	1,600.00
Stock Supplies	2,000.00	1,797.05	2,000.00
Rent	1,361.00	1,395.75	1,500.00
Grand Master's Expense	1,000.00	962.79	1,000.00
Grand Secretary's Expense	600.00	492.54	600.00
Grand Lodge Off. Expense	900.00		900.00
G.M. Lodges—Bissett, The Pas, Flin Flon, Churchill	500.00	384.35	500.00
Board Expense	1,000.00	754.10	800.00
Area Meetings	1,000.00	627.00	1,200.00
Stationery and Office Expense	1,000.00	910.24	1,000.00
Regalia	1,500.00	300.00	1,500.00
Conferences: Banff	750.00	688.95	400.00
Washington	400.00	167.11	400.00
All-Canada	350.00	620.12	....
Furniture and Fixtures	200.00	....	200.00
Audit	300.00	300.00	400.00
Postage and Excise	475.00	432.06	475.00
Life Membership Certificates	....	59.40	....
Master Mason Certificates	250.00	136.89	200.00
Past Master Certificates	....	57.75	....
Telephone and Telegraph	150.00	162.13	165.00
Masonic Relief Association	110.00	101.72	110.00

EXPENDITURE—Cont.

Insurance	....	93.60	150.00
Christmas Expense	100.00	....	100.00
Moving	....	110.24	....
Unemployment Insurance	75.00	73.02	80.00
Fifty-year Jewels	150.00	125.00	125.00
Committees:			
Research and Education	50.00	180.68	50.00
Condition of Freemasonry	60.00		60.00
Correspondence	25.00		25.00
Benevolence	50.00		50.00
Exchange	40.00	28.65	40.00
Safety Deposit Box	25.00	25.00	25.00
Miscellaneous	1,000.00	152.90	150.00
	$29,871.00	$26,037.96	$32,255.00
Estimated Income			$27,740.00
Taken from Surplus			$ 4,515.00

GREETINGS FROM DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

M.W. Bro. R. W. Twamley, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of South Dakota, and Honorary Member of this Grand Lodge, brought greetings from the M.W. Grand Master and brethren of the Grand Lodge of South Dakota. He expressed his personal pleasure at being at our Annual Communication—it was a reunion with his brethren to which he looked forward from year to year with a great deal of interest.

M.W. Bro. H. E. Howard, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta brought greetings from his Grand Lodge and in particular, greetings from M.W. Bro. Sam. Harris, M.W. Bro. George Moore and M.W. Bro. George R. Calvert, Right Reverend, Lord Bishop of Calgary, Past Grand Master of this Grand Lodge. M.W. Bro. Howard commended the Grand Chaplain for his reference to the Volume of the Sacred Law, for without it, our Craft would have no meaning. Our Masonic influence should be exerted by example, talk was not sufficient and our Masonic teachings must hold outside the lodge as well as in it. "We must be exemplary in our conduct," he concluded, "it is only as we live will we be copied."

M.W. Bro. Guy H. Hummell, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan thanked us for the wonderful hospitality we had shown him and spoke of how he had enjoyed our fellowship. He made most kind personal reference to our M.W. Grand Master with whom he had been so closely associated at various Masonic gatherings over the past year. He concluded by bringing greetings from our Daughter Grand Lodge.

M.W. Bro. George W. Christie, Past Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Minnesota, on behalf of his M.W. Grand Master, brought greetings from the 65,000 Freemasons in the Grand Lodge of Minnesota. He remarked on the close fellowship between our Grand Lodges, and how much he personally had enjoyed his associations with our Grand Lodge Officers and Past Grand Masters. Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba are always welcomed with open arms in Minnesota, and in a jocular vein, quoting elaborately from their Constitution, said that their Annual Communication was not legal unless six Past Grand Masters of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba were present. Concluding, he thanked our Grand Lodge for the honor conferred in making him an Honorary Past Grand Master, an honor he deeply appreciated and was proud to accept.

M.W. Bro. Carsten L. Jacobson, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, and Honorary Past Grand Master of this Grand Jurisdiction, spoke briefly, expressing the hope that Freemasons in Manitoba and Minnesota would always be joined in spreading the universal understanding of Freemasonry, not as members of two Masonic Bodies, but as joint members of one large organization.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL DEAD

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members, Grand Lodge of Manitoba A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

We pause for a moment in the midst of these busy sessions to show our respect and esteem for those of our brethren who have passed to the Grand Lodge on high, since our last Communication. They are gone from our sight yet they linger in our thoughts and our memory. We realize with humility that we stand where they once stood and our efforts are more effective, because of their devotion to duty. May God give them rest. We stand where they stood, we hold the gavel that they once held, we wear the regalia that they once wore. They are gone but life goes on. So it has been, so it is, and so it ever shall be. "High, fine, ineffably rich and beautiful are the faith and vision which Masonry gives to those who foregather at its Altar, bringing to them in picture, parable, and symbol the lofty and pure truth wrought out through ages of experience, tested by time, and found to be valid for conduct of life.

By such teaching, if they have heart to heed it, men become wise, learning how to be both brave and gentle, faithful and free, how to renounce superstition and yet retain faith; how to look upon the folly of man and not forget his nobility—in short, how to live cleanly, kindly, calmly, open-eyed and unafraid in a sane world, sweet of heart and full of hope.

He who lays this lucid and profound wisdom to heart and lives by it, will have little to regret, and nothing to fear, when the evening shadows fall.

So lived these our brothers whose names we record this day:

Officers and District Deputy Grand Masters: Howard Melville Spearin, Charles Redpath, Herbert Alexander Adair, Herbert L. Rixon, Roland Henderson Brotherhood, Clarence Edwin Titus, Charles Gordon McLeod.

Very Worshipful Brethren: J. Russell Fraser, Andrew Huddlestone.

Officers and D.D.G.M.'s	9
Master Masons	250
	259

"May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace, and may light perpetual shine upon them."

O God, who hast appointed unto men once to die, but hast hidden from them the time of their death, help us so to live in this world that we may be ready to leave it; and that, being Thine in death as in life, we may come to the rest that remaineth for Thy people; Through Him who died and rose again for us, Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (Response so mote it be).

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD L. NEWTON,
Chairman.

This report was presented by the Grand Chaplain, R.W. Bro. H. L. Newton (19).

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Committee on the Grand Master's Address appointed by the Board of General Purposes begs to report as follows:

Once again as we review the address of our Most Worshipful Grand Master, we realize the universality of our Order. Our Grand Master has spared no effort in his endeavor to extend and develop the cause of Freemasonry within our own Jurisdiction as well as cementing the friendly relations with other Grand Lodges.

We commend the action of our Grand Master in expressing to Her Most Gracious Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II, the loyalty of the Masons of Manitoba.

We commend the reference made in regard to those who have passed to the Grand Lodge Above.

We commend the action of our Grand Master in pioneering the idea of International Area Meetings. Such meetings can be the source of greatly strengthening the friendly relations which exist between our neighbors and ourselves.

We commend the action taken by our Grand Master in regard to the floods in England and Holland.

We commend the stand taken by our Grand Master on matters relating to the necessity of living within the regulations set out in our Constitution.

We commend the recommendations of our Grand Master in regard to our continued support of the Banff and All-Canada Conferences.

Your Committee concurs in all official Acts of the Grand Master during his term of Office.

In conclusion, your Committee desires to congratulate our Grand Master on the completion of a very successful Masonic year. The visits he has made and the contacts, speak for themselves as being the result of a year of tireless effort and labor. The reward for this, we realize, is expressed in the closing paragraph of the Grand Master's Address where he refers to the joy and encouragement that was his, as he travelled among the members of the Craft. Such demonstrations are extended to those only, who, by their leadership and devotion to duty, deserve them.

Fraternally submitted,

MAURICE S. DONOVAN,
Chairman.

This report was presented by the Chairman, M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan (158), who moved its adoption, seconded by W. Bro. A. E. Boyle (114) and carried.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on the Report of the Grand Secretary has carefully reviewed the Report and beg to submit as follows:

The statistics of membership indicate a normal growth of Freemasonry continuing in our Grand Jurisdiction and the number of Degrees conferred and Dispensations issued reflect a satisfactory condition of Masonic activity in this Grand Lodge.

The numerous amendments to the By-laws affecting a number of constituent Lodges indicate the interest and desire of its respective members to expedite the functions of the Lodge. It should be of interest to every member who reads this report, and direct his attention to the By-laws of his own Lodge and discover that they too could be improved upon.

We note with satisfaction that a new card index is being compiled of all members. When complete a proper record will be available, showing as well, those holding membership in more than one constituent Lodge in this Jurisdiction. This is as required by Section 81, subsection Q of the Constitution.

It is gratifying to note the marked increase in the number of Divine Services (in regalia) attended, to that of the previous year. The Officers of the respective Lodges no doubt deserve credit for this, in that they recognize the great opportunity for spiritual advancement when Masonry and Church work together harmoniously.

Your Committee also found it pleasing to note that it was possible for our Grand Secretary to attend all District and Area Meetings, at which time he had the opportunity to speak on "The Requirements of the Grand Secretary's Office." The value of these talks to the Secretaries of the constituent Lodges is reflected by their co-operation in submitting prompt returns of the business of their own Lodges.

On the whole, your Committee feels that our Grand Secretary has submitted a very comprehensive and complete report and take this opportunity of congratulating him on the very efficient manner in which he has discharged the duties of his Office.

The very pleasing reception one gets from him and his assistants, Miss Margaret Anderson and W. Bro. McKenzie, at all times deserves the gratitude and thanks of this Grand Lodge.

Fraternally submitted,

A. J. SAWATZKY,
Chairman.

This report was presented by R.W. Bro. A. J. Sawatzky (8), who moved its adoption, seconded by R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat (139). Carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Grand Secretary announced that the Ninth Masonic District Meeting would be held at the close of this Session. He also asked the retiring Officers to be present at the Evening Session with their regalia, in order that their successors in Office might be properly invested.

ADJOURNMENT

The Afternoon Session adjourned at 4.55 p.m. to reconvene at 8.00 o'clock in the evening.

THURSDAY, JUNE 4th, 1953

Evening Session

LABOR RESUMED

The M.W. Grand Master, Grand Lodge Officers and Past Grand Masters entered the Lodge Room in procession while the brethren sang the Processional Hymn "Unto the Hills." At 8.00 p.m., the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Gordon A. McMorran, called Grand Lodge from Refreshment to Labor.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Credentials beg to report as follows: There are 111 Chartered Lodges on the Grand Lodge Register. 93 Lodges represented by one or more of their three Principal Officers; 18 lodges unrepresented, namely:

Lisgar No. 2
Killarney No. 50
Russell No. 62
Elkhorn No. 74
Gothic No. 75
Napinka No. 77
Cypress No. 82
Elgin No. 86
Robbie Burns No. 100
Mound No. 118
Roblin No. 122
Victory No. 128
McCreary No. 133
Harmony No. 142
Mount Sinai No. 143
Jubilee No. 147
Manitouwapa No. 156
Charleswood No. 163

101 Lodges have one or more Past Masters present and 10 have neither Past Master nor Officers present namely:

Killarney No. 50
Elkhorn No. 74
Napinka No. 77
Cypress No. 82
Elgin No. 86
Robbie Burns No. 100
Mound No. 118
Victory No. 128
Harmony No. 142
Jubilee No. 147

Past Masters	376
Worshipful Masters	78
Senior Wardens	53
Junior Wardens	43

Registered:

Master Masons	82
Visitors	22
Total	654

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. GRANT,
for the Chairman.

No.	Lodge	W.M.	S.W.	J.W.	P.M.	Total
1	Prince Rupert's	1	1	1	8	11
2	Lisgar	--	--	--	4	4
3	Ancient Landmark	1	--	1	8	10
4	St. John's	1	--	1	14	16
6	Emerson	1	1	1	8	11
7	Assiniboine	1	1	1	5	8
8	King Solomon	1	1	--	6	8
10	Northern Light	1	1	--	6	8
11	Gladstone	1	1	1	7	10
12	Stonewall	1	1	1	12	15
13	Morden	1	--	--	2	3
14	Prince of Wales	1	1	1	3	6
15	Corinthian	1	--	--	1	2
19	Brandon	1	--	1	5	7
24	Neepawa	1	--	--	6	7
25	Ionic	1	1	1	8	11
27	Glenwood	1	--	--	5	6
29	Carberry	--	1	--	8	9
30	Manitou	1	1	--	2	4
36	Doric	1	--	--	--	1
39	Birtle	1	--	1	1	3
40	Deloraine	1	--	--	--	1
43	Lebanon	1	1	--	2	4
44	Oak Lake	1	--	--	--	1
48	Glenboro	1	1	--	1	3
49	Temple	1	1	1	5	8
50	Killarney	--	--	--	--	--
51	Treherne	1	--	--	6	7
52	Hartney	1	1	--	1	3
54	Oriental	1	--	--	1	2
55	East Star	--	1	--	4	5
62	Russell	--	--	--	1	1
63	Holland	1	--	--	4	5
64	Composite	1	--	--	5	6
67	Wawanesa	1	1	1	2	5
68	Vermillion	1	1	--	1	3
70	Shiloh	1	1	--	6	8
71	Crystal	1	--	1	5	7
74	Elkhorn	--	--	--	--	--
75	Gothic	--	--	--	3	3
77	Napinka	--	--	--	--	--
82	Cypress	--	--	--	--	--
84	Hamiota	1	--	--	3	4
86	Elgin	--	--	--	--	--
87	Rathwell	1	1	1	2	5
90	Midlothian	--	--	1	3	4
92	Shoal Lake	--	--	1	--	1
93	King Edward	--	1	--	5	6
94	Hiram	--	1	--	--	1
100	Robbie Burns	--	--	--	--	--
101	Binscarth	1	1	--	--	2
102	Miniota	1	--	--	2	3
103	Crescent	1	1	--	5	7
104	Reston	1	--	--	5	6
105	Prince Arthur	1	--	--	1	2
106	Strathclair	1	--	1	4	6

No.	Lodge	W.M.	S.W.	J.W.	P.M.	Total
107	Lansdowne	1	..	1	4	6
108	Union	..	1	1	3	5
109	Swan Lake	1	..	..	1	2
110	Kilwinning	..	1	..	1	2
111	Acacia	1	1	1	13	16
112	Ophir	1	..	1	2	4
113	Tweed	1	1	1	6	9
114	"The Assiniboine"	1	1	1	8	11
115	Rivers	1	..	1	..	2
116	St. Andrew's	1	..	1	4	6
117	Strathcona	1	1	..	6	8
118	Mound	..	..	..	..	..
119	Norwood	1	1	1	7	10
120	Penza	1	..	1	3	5
121	St. James	1	1	1	11	14
122	Roblin	..	..	..	2	2
123	Transcona	1	1	1	2	5
124	The Pas	1	..	..	..	1
125	Patricia	..	1	..	3	4
126	Favel	1	1	..	1	3
127	Empire	1	1	1	7	10
128	Victory	..	..	..	..	..
130	Fort Garry	..	1	..	9	10
131	Kildonan	..	1	..	10	11
132	Sprague	..	..	1	..	1
133	McCreary	..	..	..	1	1
134	Stony Mountain	1	1	1	7	10
136	Capitol	1	1	1	6	9
137	Lord Selkirk	1	..	..	3	4
138	Windsor	1	1	..	8	10
139	Beaver	..	1	1	5	7
140	Meridian	1	1	1	9	12
141	Tuscan	1	..	1	5	7
142	Harmony	..	..	..	..	..
143	Mt. Sinai	..	..	..	2	2
144	Fort Osborne	1	1	..	1	3
145	Sturgeon Creek	1	..	..	1	2
146	Fidelity	1	1	..	3	5
147	Jubilee	..	..	..	..	..
148	Seven Oaks	1	1	1	7	10
150	Cartwright	..	1	..	..	1
151	The Dormer	1	..	1	3	5
152	Foxwarren	1	..	..	..	1
153	Flin Flon	1	1	..	1	3
154	Pine Falls	1	..	1	2	4
155	Carman	1	..	1	..	2
156	Manitouwapa	..	..	..	1	1
157	Rice Lake	1	..	..	2	3
158	Fenwick	1	1	1	4	7
159	Newdale	1	1	1	1	4
160	Starbuck	..	1	..	2	3
161	Fort Prince of Wales	1	..	..	1	2
162	Ashlar	1	1	..	..	2
163	Charleswood	..	..	..	1	1
164	Harry Woods	1	1	..	1	3
	Totals	78	53	43	376	550

ADDRESS OF THE GRAND HISTORIAN

In my address two years ago which dealt with the Seven Oaks Massacre, 1816, it will be recalled that one of the officers who lost his life in the affray, was Captain Rogers, R.E. The appearance of the name of a British Army Officer in the annals of Red River Settlement aroused my curiosity. For what purpose would he be in this isolated part of the North American Continent? There were less than 200 settlers, all told, in the country, and they had come for colonization purposes only. Who then had sent Captain Rogers, and why?

During the past winter I have discovered a great deal that will help in answering my questions. Briefly, he came under the auspices of the Earl of Selkirk, founder of the original Colony. The purpose of his coming seems to have been to obtain actual data, on the spot, and make suggestions from the viewpoint of a professional engineer. In the Archive Division of the Manitoba Government we have copies of his voluminous writings and when I tell you I have copied nearly 300 pages of his manuscript it will be readily understood how impossible it would be to summarize these in the compass of an address. This I would say, however, he was a highly educated young man, a native of Cornwall, England, a former officer in the Royal Engineers who had seen active service in Europe. To assist him in his study of the mineralogy of the land he brought with him a practical Cornish miner, named Reginald Green.

They arrived at York Factory, September 7th, 1815, in company with the fifth party of Selkirk Settlers. Red River was reached November 3rd. He immediately proceeded to Fort Daer (Pembina) and spent the month of December there. Returning to The Forks (Winnipeg), he set out, on January 4th, 1816, by horse drawn sleds for Brandon House where he remained until March of the same year.

While at Brandon House he learned that Mr. Fidler, the Trader in charge, had decided to send three sleds of dogs to the "Tents," to assist in fetching in the meat to the Stage. He wrote, "as this afforded me a good opportunity, both of viewing the bands of buffalo, the Hunting Tents, the dexterity of the hunters, and their mode of life, I prepared to accompany them on the following morning."

This happened one hundred and thirty-seven years ago. Day by day Captain Rogers wrote his journal. The part I will deal with is headed "A trip from Brandon House to the

Hunting Tent," and I will use his own language in telling this fascinating story of life on the Manitoba prairie nearly a century and a half ago. As far as I know, nothing whatever has previously appeared in print concerning the writings of Captain John Rogers.

The story begins on Friday, February 9th, 1816; "Green cleaned my gun and made a new ramrod for it of Ironwood which here grows in great abundance and which supplies the Indians with their arrows &c. Mr. F. gave me a stock of Tobacco, Tea, Sugar, and almost two quarts of spirits in a small keg, with a pint of powder, 20 balls and new flints.

"Saturday 10th; The men were ready with their dogs & sleds about sunrise. My blanket and one Buffalo Robe were also put on them, to serve as my bed at the Tent. The morning was fine. Mr. Fidler's daughter, Sally, had got my breakfast ready for me by daybreak, and we set out for the Tent.

"The dogs on leaving the House howl most horribly and lie down in their traces, and generally submit to a severe flogging, with which the men very liberally treat them before they will stir. However, once off they run along very freely, and when they are not loaded they are always obliged to run, as a sort of emulation prevails among the men in outstripping each other, both in going and returning on their journeys.

"I allowed the sleds to go on before me both for the purpose of shewing me the road & for locating the track, which I observ'd was cover'd with blood. This I supposed to be owing to the treatment the poor dogs received from their merciless masters, which, on getting up nearer with the sleds, I found to be the case, but it was not from the severity of the whip or bludgeon, as I at first imagined, but from the knife, as one of the men had cut the tail off a dog, and on my asking him why he did so, he reply'd, "Oh, I just cut the tail of the d......d lazy b..g....er to get out some of his d....nd lazy blood." I told him that no particular part of his blood could be lazier than another, and that by profuse bleeding, the poor creature would absolutely grow weak and faint, and perhaps even bleed to death. He stupidly and unfeelingly answered, "not he," and with a wicked grin drew a large knife and pointed it at the dog, which howled most piteously, as soon as he saw the threatening weapon, and sprung and dragged with all its might to get out of the reach of the wretched and barbarous master. Before he started he invited me to jump on the sled and ride, but this kind offer I of course declin'd, my heart would not allow me to add to the burthens of poor animals already too miserable.

"About 7 miles from the House we came to the Souri (Souris) River. I walk'd down its surface for about 100 paces to look at its banks, which were open, fresh, steep & shewed strata to some advantage. I saw in a silicious strata, beneath a rich argillaceous alluvial loam, some specimens of iron. In getting into the track, I found the men sitting on their sleds waiting for me, and observ'd that another man had been lacerating both the ears and the tail of his dogs, for the purpose (to use his own expression), "of getting out his lazy d......d blood." On my remonstrating with him on its cruelty, as well as the impropriety of such conduct, and advising him to tie a cord around its tail, above the wound, to prevent the poor creature's bleeding to death, he took a small string and was preparing to bind the wound, but the tortur'd creature struggled to get from him when the fellow in a rage immediately drew his large knife from his belt, at the same moment seizing the tip of the dog's tail, he sever'd it from his body in an instant. The creature set up such a piercing and hideous howl that I then walk'd off as fast as I could, fired with horror & indignation at the cruelties of these worse than savages.

"In about ten minutes the men overtook me, one of them entreated me to ride. I at first refus'd, but on observing that my refusal rather displeased the man, I at length yielded to his importunity and seated myself on the sled. I found that the dogs, at a good walking pace, drew me along with great apparent ease, but he soon wanted them to quicken the pace & run, and began flogging them, when I immediately threw myself off the sled—the man thinking I had fallen, laughed heartily and invited me to ride again. I excus'd myself by saying that I was afraid of that mode of conveyance, and would not try it again, and desired him to go on, which he immediately did in good earnest and was follow'd by the others, and they drove along with such speed, that two sleds were shortly out of sight. I now had to jog on alone, and regretted that I had not taken my gun from the sled, as the Buffalo were crossing the path in one direction. Some of the Bulls ran very near me, and altho there was no danger to be apprehended from an attack from these large and formidable creatures, yet their terrific appearance cound not fail to excite unpleasant emotions to the mind of a stranger situated as I was, unarm'd & alone, surrounded by thousands of them, in these wild and extensive plains.

"I followed the track, which at length, brought me into an extensive range of hills, and here I overtook the man who had mutilated his dogs, which were now so weak that they could hardly crawl along, the fellow was still flogging them cruelly, at the same time complaining bitterly, that it was a great shame for him to be sent on a journey with such bad dogs, and pointing at one of them, which from faintness, was falling at every step, "You see sir," he says. "what pretty devils they are." I told him he could expect no other from them after using them so barbarously, that the shame remain's with himself only, and that 'twas a pity that dogs or any other animal should be committed to his charge.

"The other men were out of sight. The weather began to grow very cold—the wind blew strong, and unfortunately my leather pantaloons happened to split, and I began to freeze between the legs. I wore no drawers, and had no means of relieving myself, and was therefore oblidged to bide the pelting of the pitiless storm. To keep my blood warm, I endeavoured to run, but from stiffness and pain, soon found myself scarcely able to walk, at length I reach'd the height of the range of hills, and saw the man with the weak dogs moving along thro the valley below me.

"It was nearly sunset, the cold was piercing, the wind on the hills rather boisterous, the sky very gloomy, myself tired amd freezing—however, there was no alternative, I began to descend, but even with the most favourable declivity of the hill I was unable to run. I got into the valley and hobbled along with great pain, the snow drifting but not with much violence, the track was still visible. At length I saw 3 or 4 horses, and this led me to hope that the Tents were not far off. Shortly after I heard dogs barking, and very soon the voices of children, some of whom ran out to meet me, and conducted me into the bosom of the wood where I found 3 leather Tents and opposite them stood a large stage cover'd with an immense quantity of Buffalo meat. My first care was to thaw the frozen parts, which was done by friction and the application of snow, my face and nose were also frozen, and I was not conscious of this, and the hunters first apprized me of it. As soon as I was properly thawed, the Hunters invited me into the Tent, where my companions, who had arrived two or three hours before me, were with the family, seated around an excellent fire, on which a pot full of beef was boiling, and five or six pieces of meat were stuck on sticks around it to roast.

"My keg of Rum was still remaining on the sled, and on ordering it into the tent to refresh myself with a little of it, I found it frozen into a hard solid mass. We placed it before the fire to dissolve. The Hunter's wife soon got a little Tea ready, and set before me both boil'd and roast beef of excellent quality, but my fatigue & pain was so great, that, I made no great hearty meal. I gave a dram to each of the people, families &c.&c.

"Our men had carried out with them for the French people, the Hunters, and in return they open'd their keg, and would insist on my partaking some of theirs—to oblige—I drank a little, and then went to bed—i.e., I lay down in my clothes even keeping on my g't coat and cover'd myself with the Blanket and Buffalo Robe.

"The French Hunters now went into another Tent to make merry over their spirits, and they kept it up most gloriously to a very late hour, as I heard them singing till after midnight, and in short, I could not but hear them as they were very near us, and t'was so very cold that I got but little or rather, no sound sleep. Several times during the night I rose and threw large logs into the fire, which after all had no better effect than keeping one's feet warm, which were next to it, from our mode of laying round the Tent. The night was intensely cold—the inside of the Tent was thickly cover'd with an incrustation of rime—everything that was not placed immediately near the fire, froze just as if it had been exposed to the open air, and in the morning, I found that the remainder of my spirits, my keg (which during the night was placed beside the log that serv'd me as a pillow) was frozen into a solid lump. The Hunters slept as comfortably however, as if they had been in the best lodgings in London. The tyrant custom has render'd their hard couches as easy to them as thrice driven beds of down. I certainly envied them their savage hardihood.

"Sunday morning was as cold as charity, and the storm as furious as the rage of war, the men, not for any regard for the sanctity of the day, but for a more tender regard for themselves, would not venture out into the plains. During this day I also kept snug in my tent, the whole day, wrapped up in the Buffalo Robe, and extended alongside the fire. Necessity obliges one either to sit or lay down in the Tent, to escape the smoke which about the height of 4 feet from the fire spreads thro the whole tent. About 5 feet high stands a rack or stack compos'd of bars of wood laid across each other, (not very unlike some of the Bacon stands we see in English Farm Houses) supported at the four corners by as many posts, the whole was cover'd as it were, with fat, tripe, and some of the 1st pieces of the Buffalo intended to be made into dry meat for the summer. The Indians are very expeditious cooks in boiling, broiling, frying, roasting &c. but notwithstanding this celerity, their want of cleanliness, together with the careless hotch potch manner renders their dishes rather disagreeable at first to the English palate. But custom and keen hunger soon conquer prejudice, and what at first may be nauseous, may in the end perhaps, be esteem'd a delicacy. One of their greatest delicacies, however, I could not at all prevail myself to taste, its very appearance was so disgusting; this was the foetus of the Calf, which they carefully rip from the Cow they kill that contains one, the moment the Cow falls. And it frequently happens that the Cattle the Hunter may kill in one day cannot be brought to the stage for a day or two. The embryo is carefully wrapped up in the fat that may be found in the belly of the mother, and taken a short distance from the carcass, and hid under the snow to preserve it from the wolves, who generally content themselves with the ample repast the carcass affords them. The fat containing the foetus when brought into the Tent is frozen into a mass as hard as a rock, and is laid before the fire to thaw, and as the layers of fat begin to soften they are stripped off till the naked delicacy is once more expos'd to their delighted view. The skin is first flay'd off and then the body is cut up into small roasting pieces, which form their chief and most esteemed meals.

"About the middle of the day we were visited by the Hunters from the other Tents. One of the old Frenchmen complain'd of a great headache, probably occasion'd by the last night's debaucht, the young were also drowsy and heavy. I found they had finish'd their supply of spirits, and, to relieve them a little, I open'd mine, which was again frozen quite hard, but they were not long in dissolving it before the fire, and in a very short time they placed the whole beyond the reach of the frost, by pouring it down their parch'd and burning throats. No spirits however highly rectified, are thought too strong, or unwholesome, by these thoughtless and greedy drinkers, in fact they, like Indians, never think it good unless it burns their throats, hence the Indians call it "scutta wappa," which literally signifies, "fire water." The night was cold and stormy and I found the cold so severe, that I got but little sleep, altho we kept in a good fire all the night.

"Monday was colder if possible than the preceding day but the men could not hold two holidays, and besides, nearly 30 carcasses were lying in the plains, expos'd to the mercy of the wolves; some now got their dog-sleds ready while two others went into the plains after the Horses, and after a long and painful search they found but two, while they were away our Hunter was greatly alarm'd for their safety, he was afraid that they were not able to find the Horses in or near the woods, and had gone to seek them in the plains where they must inevitably perish in a few minutes from extreme cold, as he himself had endeavour'd to go a short way out into the plains that morning after Buffalo, but the excessive cold soon oblig'd him to return without killing any.

There was no sending after them, nor any means whatever of giving them relief. In a short time, one of them return'd, but his face was frozen in several places. He said that the other young man had gone into the plains, and now we really gave him up for lost. We pitied the poor creature sincerely, but that was all we could do for him, however, after a painful suspense of about half an hour we were happily relieved from our distressing cogitation by the entry of the young man in propria personae—his face was dreadfully frozen, and was as white as a sheet, his companions immediately thawed it with snow.

"This young man's name was Angus McKeever, he is a native of the Isle of Lewis, and came out in the ship with me, with 18 more of his countrymen into the H.B. Company's service, but he was so altered that I did not know him again, when I first met him at the Tents, he was grown so fat. Since his arrival at Brandon House he had lived with the Hunters. We took these men on board at Stromness. They were striplings & in general well-grown, but very lank & meagre, their dull sunken eyes, high cheek bones, melancholy faces, and slow listless gait, form'd a striking contrast with our plump, active, well-fed and merry English sailors. They throve in a wonderful manner on the passage, but since their arrival in this country they have really fatten'd, which in a great degree confirms the truth of McLain's observations when he told me that this country was only adapted for the hardy natives of North Britain, who could find no other, or at least, better country to live in.

"About the middle of the day the weather greatly moderated, and the Horse and Dog-sleds were in motion, and the two Hunters went out to kill Buffalo. I walk'd out for a few minutes to look at the cattle, which cover'd the plains in every direction as far as the eye could reach, and to use the Hunter's phrase, "the ground was black with them." The men brought ten carcasses home, and the Hunters killed seven more. Some of the Bulls were very near the Tents, and one was kill'd about 20 paces from my Tent door.

"In the evening I went into the old Frenchman's Tent and spent an hour or two with him and his family, consisting of himself, his wife, and Indian woman, one son, a grown man who was our chief hunter, two daughters, the eldest about 16, the other perhaps about 12; both very agreeable girls, and 4 younger children. They were very cheerful and happy, and with a profusion of Beef around them they liv'd in Luxury, I may say.

"Hunting form'd their only occupation and delight, it was all their study, and their chief topic of conversation is Hunting, and paddling the Canoe—the only employment they seem'd to understand or were desirous to excel in. Those who are fond of indulging their fancies in the fabl'd happiness of the pastoral life, of ancient times, exultingly & poetically call'd the Golden Age, might here view it in all its scenes, in all its glory. No care for tomorrow; no property to protect; none to acquire; no foes to fear; no Lords to contr*oal*; no slaves to obey; no tribute to pay; no religious impressions to check the will or restrict the passions. These men are chiefly natives of Canada, and when young were in the service of the N.W. Co. and during their residence in this country have taken wives among the Indians, and have, in a great measure, adopted Indian manners, and follow the Indian mode of life in Hunting and fishing. With the surplus of their chase they procure from the H.B. Co. & the N.W. Co., Guns, Ammunition, Blankets, and a few other trifling articles. They call themselves free Canadians and are certainly entitled to that appelation. They are in general a peaceable race, & have preserved much of the French levity and politeness, and are remarkably hospitable to strangers and to all others. The Indian women are great gainers by thus marrying out of their tribes, for these men make excellent husbands and tender fathers & content themselves with only one wife, who never receives any brutal or unkind treatment from them, nor have any of those shameful and distressing drudgeries to perform, which the Indians invariably impose on their debased, maltreated and wretched partners, and they never wander from place to place, thro deep swamps and large forests like the Indians, but take care to fix themselves in stations abounding with game, it rarely happens that they experience any severe privations and when they remove, their Horses and Dogs (if no water conveyance is to be had) drag all the baggage which severe task the Indians allot to their wives.

"Their children were plump, fair and hardy, and were in fact the healthiest, happiest and most engaging little creatures I had ever seen.

"The young man sang several French songs with great glee and good humour, they were principally Canadian Boat songs—and I was highly entertain'd and spent a very agreeable evening with them. I again retir'd to my tent, and spent a pleasanter night than before, as the Lewis lad now slept near me, and his Buffalo Robe spread over us both. We kept up a good fire all night, which was cold and stormy.

"Tuesday was windy and cold—but the Hunters and sleds were all employ'd. This day the men went further into the plains after the meat, and brought home eight animals, and the Hunters kill'd nine more.

"I ventured out a little way to look at the Cattle, and their number seemed to be augmented, the whole plain was cover'd with one vast herd and resembled a large fairpark in England.

"The face of the Lewis lad was in a most wretched plight, the skin was completely excoriated from both his cheeks and nose, and was very painful. The other men excus'd him from going into the plains and left him at home to help the women in cutting wood &c. They humourously rallied him on his fat face, as his cheeks were swollen, telling him that he was now properly stamped with the Company's mark &c.

"I was now nearly recover'd from the fatigue and other sufferings of my journey, and in justice to my host and his kind wife, I must say that every attention was paid me. At first I could eat but little but I drank tea 3 or 4 times a day, and my little stock of Tea was soon expended but my sugar held out very well, the kind woman torrify'd some Indian Corn, which after it was properly pulverized proved an excellent substitute for Coffee.

"About the middle of the day I walk'd out a little with my Gun but found it still too cold to proceed far. I again return'd and went into Jack Kipling's tent which was the smallest & the warmest of the three. This Jack Kipling was born at Albany. He told me that his father was an Englishman, but he does not recollect from what part of England his father came, tho' he has repeatedly heard him mention it. He says he has spent the whole of his life in the H.B. Co's service, which now very generously allows him to retire on a pension of £15. per annum. Three of his sons are now in the same service, one of his daughters was my hostess, and three small children still live with him. The old man is still active and cheerful and enjoys good health.

"I again visited the old Frenchman's Tent, but the old man & his sons were not return'd from Hunting. I regretted their absence, as I wish'd to hear a few songs. On hearing this the eldest girl with great good nature and the most artless simplicity told me that she could sing all her brother's songs, and will readily sing them to me. This kind, this captivating offer, ten thousand times more pleasing than all the arts of coquetry, was of course thankfully embraced, and without the slightest hesitation she sang with the sweetest innocence, and the most imaginable ease and composure, several beautiful French songs, with a voice and style that would have delighted the refin'd taste of even a London audience. One of her songs delighted me and without the least unwillingness or embarrassment she sang it over to me at least 5 or 6 times, her mother and sister listened to her with as much pleasure as myself. At the conclusion I pencilled out for her the following lines with which she was much pleased, & told me that if I would turn it into French for her, and gave her some suitable tune for it, that 'twould afford her much pleasure to sing it to me. I lamented that I was unequal to the task.

SONG

Who taught thee sweet sylph that soul soothing ditty
To warble those notes, so melodiously and clear,
So wildly harmonious, so charmingly pretty,
As to ravish the heart, while it tickles the ear.

"She was neither bold nor bashful. Her behaviour was free, unconstrain'd and remarkably modest. She was, with regard to her person, a handsome brunette, fine black, expressive eyes, arch'd eyebrows, high forehead, shaded with natural ringlets of black flowing hair, an aquiline nose, pretty mouth, teeth exquisitely beautiful and the contour of her face of an oval form. She was tall & slender, well proportion'd, but very delicate, and was by far the finest girl I have seen since I left the dear shores of Great Britain.

"I gave her a rosette form'd of different colour'd beads, which, some weeks ago, an Indian gave me for a small present of Rum—and she was as much pleased with this trifling present as I was to observe that it pleased her.

"In the evening I went to my Tent and drank Tea and ate some boil'd (Buffalo) tongue, which was very delicious, and afterwards, visited the old Frenchman's Tent, and found the old man and his son return'd from the chase. They chorus'd over several songs in a style jocular & easy, becoming the lives and pursuits of free men. I wrote for them the following song which also seem'd to afford them much satisfaction.

(The song has not been preserved)

"They also wanted me to translate it into the French language for them, but that was out of my power. The old man was very merry, and frequently boast'd of his son's great qualities as a Hunter and a Canoeman. The son was certainly a stout, active young man and appear'd to possess his father's gaiety of temper and willingness to oblige, he took great delight in explaining to me such French words, as from their provincial accent I could not fully comprehend the meaning. I spent a pleasant evening with them, indeed I should have found it extremely disagreeable without them as I was unpleasantly situated, there was no stirring out, the weather was so severe, and t'was little better than freezing within the tent, even when I stretched before the fire. Often, very often, did I wish myself back in Brandon House again, pursuing my favorite literary studies with my friend, Mr. Fidler, with a good room to sit or walk in, a snug warm bed, a good fire, a well-supplied table, and cheerful conversation.

"Wednesday. 14th February. Very cold, gloomy and rough. The Cattle around are as numerous as ever. Hunters & Sleds at work. This day our men brought home ten Bullocks and the Hunters killed five. Valentine's Day; thought on this day twelve month, when I strew'd snowdrops round the Bower of Burns. On the many amourous letters & sonnets written this day in England, and on one I could wish'd to write to, tho' now, I contented myself with merely writing of &c.

VALENTINE

This to be thrown into another form, some future day.

Dear Silva, mistress of the strains,
Of him that roves these desert plains,
Whose heaven'ly mind, whose lovely face,
His fancy in these wilds re-trace,
Asleep or awake thy beauties rise
Each moment to his raptur'd eyes,
Nor dares his wounded heart repine
While he remains, thy Valentine.

Thy bosom, purer than these snows,
With love's delicious raptures glows,
(Tho' years & seas between us roll)
Will fix'd remain (to cheer his soul)
As the bright, guiding Polar Star
Seen by the joyous eyes—from far,
He'll yet return, nor e'er repine
If thou will be his Valentine.

"This day three Indians visited us from the Turtle Mountains on their way to Brandon House, to apprize Mr. F. that they had skins, and dried meat for him at their Tents. Two of them staid in our Tent about an hour, & after smoking a pipe or two, and eating a few roast potatoes, they went off to the House. The other had a bow & arrows. I wished to purchase it but the man made no answer. He went into the Frenchman's Tent, and employed himself with making other arrows. This day I principally spent with the old Frenchman's family, and was again treated with many lovely French songs by my fair, modest and agreeable friend. About 2 p.m. Donovan arrived from Brandon House with a Dog-sled, and brought the pleasant account that the Cattle were swarming round that Post; that 12 Bullocks had been kill'd two of them very near our stockades, and that all the sled Hunters &c. were to return to the House with him on the following day, to kill as many Cattle as they could while they remain'd near the post. This to me was very pleasant news, for, notwithstanding the charms & charming songs of my French friend, I was glad to return, and was praying for a change of weather that I might have a pleasant trip back to the House of my friend, Mr. F.

"An old Cow came near the Tent about dusk. A boy ran for my gun, which did not happen to be loaded & during this delay, the creature had been frightened away by the dogs.

"Thursday morning usher'd in a most delightful day, the sun shone pleasantly, and it was quite calm. We were all ready about sun-rise. My kind hostess had got b'fast ready for me as soon as it was light, and I made a hearty meal. The sleds were loaded, my Robe, Blanket and small kettle put on them, and after bidding adieu to the families, the little Janette &c. we commenced our march. In the morning I composed the following lines for the pretty Janette;

(The lines do not appear in the Journal)

"I certainly felt affected on leaving these obliging and innocent people, without expecting or hoping for any reward whatever they paid me the greatest attention, and did everything in their power to make me happy, and as happiness and content seem'd fix their abode among them, the mind must be surly and cynical indeed that could not partake of some small share of it notwithstanding the rudeness of their habitations and to an European, their strange and dis-similar mode of life. They all live in this small republic with great apparent happiness, and there was no envious malevolence, nor jars, no sour discontent, no repining at their stations, no wish for more society, and no dissatisfaction with their own.

"The women were very industrious, and appear'd to have prepar'd a large stock (perhaps many hundred fathoms) of thongs, cut from the hide of the Buffalo, which serves them for all the various purposes of ropes, traces for their Horses, Dogs &c. These thongs were first cut from the hides, after the hair had been scraped off, and put into a tub of warm water, and when well soak'd is wound tight around two trees about 10 or 15 feet apart to stretch, where they remain till they are quite dry, when it is taken down and wound into large balls.

"My little British dog Wily, which had followed me to the Tents, was at first loath to return to the House, and I was oblidg'd to carry him for one or two hundred yards. The Cattle were still thick. I walk'd on before with my gun, but did not get near any. We at length reach'd the summit of the hills, where a few evenings ago, I first found myself freezing. The prospect was now greatly changed for the better, the weather was delightful, the day all before us, a number of people near me, and the wide views around truly delightful.

"In one direction an immense plainspread out, in another a large beautiful vale, bounded by a rivulet above which a bold height presented itself clothed with wood—while the range of hills extended north & south greatly diversify'd with winding slopes and undulating hollows, interspers'd with clumps of trees, and far exceeding in point of extent, beauty and sublimity, the finest parks in Great Britain, and notwithstanding the snow lay covering all but the woods, gave a sameness to the general scene, yet it was far from dull or tame, and immense herds of Buffalo, running, moving in every direction, gave spirit, life and action to the whole varied and extensive scene. The winds had driven thousands of these creature into the hollows, they were really crowded—at one place in the rear of a vast herd that were flying before us, I observ'd a large old Bull, very lame, which I suppose had been wounded by some of the Hunters. I made after him, and was getting up with him very fast, when he turned left of the track, and I, to make assurance doubly sure, cut across after him, and to gain some ground endeavor'd to wind round an acclivity, which would bring me just opposite to him, but the moment I got in this position the snow sunk beneath me and I sank down almost to the shoulders, and 'twas with the greatest difficulty I could extricate myself again, and in the meantime the poor creature made his escape. The sleds now got on a considerable way before, and what with struggling in the snow & running to overtake my companions, I found myself breathless and getting fatigued, and now contented with walking along in the rear of the sleds.

"Several Buffalo pass'd near me. I fir'd at some without effect. Not so our Hunters. My host fir'd at a band of Cows running past about 150 yards from him, and a fine Cow dropped immediately. We ran up, & found the shot had struck in the spine of the neck. Their knives were immediately drawn—one man cut off the Boss, while another struck his knife between the ribs to its heart: the blood gush'd out in a torrent, while a third made a deep incision along the backbone and commenc'd skinning, the animal trembling & shrinking at every stroke, the two others now assisted in taking off the hide which was done with almost as much expedition as a man would strip off his coat. I gaz'd at them with profound astonishment, never before did I witness such celerity and address. Our sleds moved on, but the men agreed to wait for the Hunters at the Souri (Souris) River, and as I perceived they would soon finish their operations, and knowing them to be better pedestrians than myself, I left them and follow'd the sleds as fast as I could, but I had not proceeded more than two to 300 yards when on looking about perceived them following me, having in this short time skin'd the animal, taken out its bowels, separated the fat, & buried it in the snow, and divided the bullock into quarters that it might be placed the better on the sled as when frozen the meat would scarcely yield to the axe.

"We found the men waiting for us at the Souri they had opened a hole in the ice & I was treated with a good draught of water, which proved very agreeable, as I was fatigued and thirsty. My hostess had given me some dried meat and fat which I also found very agreeable.

"We moved on and my feelings were once more hurt at witnessing the barbarous treatment of the poor dogs—they were for no fault whatever beaten with whips and large bludgeons about the head 'till the blood flowed copiously from their mouth and ears; not content with this, the knives were again resorted to, and the track was cover'd with blood. The man that has a sled of good dogs takes pride in running off from his companions, who exert all their cruel ingenuity to make the weak keep up with the strong—but the subject is too horrid to dwell on.

"About sunset I arrived quite fatigued at Brandon House where I met with a hearty welcome from my friend Mr. Fidler. Tea was immediately prepared for me, and soon follow'd by a good supper, and after a pleasant evening, I retired with joy to my old bed, well pleased with my journey, & overjoyed that I was again under the roof of my hospitable friend."

That my brethren, is the story of a visit to the home of the men who hunted the Buffalo, long, long ago. It is the experience of a man who was an eye witness. I am not aware of the existence of a similar account of life on the Prairie at that early day.

Let me conclude by making a few observations inspired by the journal we have just listened to. We of this generation, with our modern tastes, customs and conveniences, do not fully realize the prime importance of the Buffalo Hunt in the economy of the country in 1816. True, the population was small and also scattered over a vast extent of territory. However, like ourselves, they were human beings and had to obtain subsistence—our correspondent has given us a striking pen-picture of the methods employed and the mode of life followed by the hunters.

Most of us have read or heard something about the rapid disappearance of the Buffalo. Few realize that the number of animals killed by man was quite insignificant in comparison with the destruction wrought by the warring elements of nature. This might be partially understood from a brief entry in John McDonell's Journal reading: "May 18th, 1795. Observing a good many carcasses of Buffalo in the river and along the banks, I was taken up the whole day with counting them, and, to my surprise, found I had numbered, when we put up for the night, 8,360, drowned and mired along the river and in it." This quotation emphasises the fact that when on the run the plains were literally black with the thundering herds.

Fortunately, a few Buffalo have been preserved but the move toward preservation came almost too late. The people of Canada should be grateful to R.W. Brother Samuel L. Bedson, first Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba. He it was who, perhaps more than any other man, saved the remnant survivors of roving buffalo. A small herd had been raised by the Hon. James McKay of Deer Lodge, but in time he decided to dispose of the animals. Part of the herd was bought by Sir Donald A. Smith (Lord Strathcona) and part by Brother Bedson. The Smith herd was presented to the Canadian Government in 1898 and shipped to Banff National Park. Previously Col. Bedson had sold his herd to Buffalo Jones of Omaha, Nebraska. The latter was acquired by the Flathead interests in Montana in 1893 and in 1907 it was purchased by the Canadian Government and placed on the reservation at Wainwright, Alberta.

At the time the Strathcona herd was being readied for shipment to Banff, there was quite a furor in Winnipeg. Had Manitoba seen the last of the great Buffalo?

The man of the hour appeared—he was the Mayor of the City, Brother Alfred A. Andrews. With his characteristic energy he quickly and effectively made certain that four of the beasts would never leave Winnipeg. They didn't. Today, the Buffalo we admire through the enclosure fence at Assiniboine Park are the natural increase of those secured by Alfred A. Andrews in 1898.

Little did James McKay realize that the young calves he brought back from Saskatchewan would ultimately prove to be the progenitors of all the Buffalo that are now in Canada. Let us give a thought of appreciation to the men who made it possible for posterity to see the Buffalo in real life. Let us look across the years and in fancy see our prairie black with an animated population of rushing animals. The Buffalo are on the rampage. Let us also remember the vivid account of life in the Hunters' Tent, written by Captain John Rogers, a gallant soldier who gave his life at Seven Oaks, and whose words we have used, unaltered, in our Historical Address, tonight.

Hearty applause showed the appreciation of the brethren for this splendid historical address. A vote of thanks was moved by M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (11), seconded by M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole (7). This motion was unanimously carried by more applause.

GREETINGS FROM DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

R.W. Bro. Clinton M. Norton, spoke expressing his thanks for the hospitality shown to him and for the honor conferred in making him an Honorary Past District Deputy Grand Master of this Grand Jurisdiction. He said over the entrance to Jefferson University, founded by Thomas Jefferson, third President of the United States and one of the early and sincere apostles of Democracy in America, there appears these words "Pass under this arch, seeking the light of truth, the way to honor and the will to work for man." R.W. Bro. Norton enlarged on this motto and remarked how much better individual Freemasons and consequently the Craft as a whole would be if all of us lived up to the teachings expressed in these few words.

PRESENTATION OF COMMISSIONS

M.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe (93) presented to the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Gordon A. McMorran his Commission as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Iowa, near the Grand Lodge of Manitoba. This presentation was of some consequence as this was the first exchange of Representatives with this Grand Lodge, and M.W. Bro. Blythe was very pleased that the first appointee was the Grand Master himself.

REPORT OF THE SCRUTINEERS ON ELECTION

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Board of Scrutineers, appointed to conduct the election of Officers and eight members of the Board of General Purposes for a term of two years, also District Deputy Grand Masters for the several Masonic Districts, make report as follows:

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND MASTER, the name of Harry Haggart Gray was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF DEPUTY GRAND MASTER, the name of John Robert Charles Evans was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF SENIOR GRAND WARDEN, the name of Robert Eric Emmett was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF JUNIOR GRAND WARDEN, five names were submitted in nomination, i.e., Otto Timothy Johnson, Ernest A. Baragar, Edward I. Dow, H. Stewart Perdue and J. Ferguson Irwin. The number of ballots cast was 534 of which 531 were valid. The necessary quota to elect was 266. Bro. J. Ferguson Irwin received the necessary quota.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND TREASURER, the name of W. Percy White was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND SECRETARY, the name of Thomas C. Jackson was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND CHAPLAIN, the name of Harold L. Newton was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND HISTORIAN, the name of William Douglas was the only one submitted for nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND DIRECTOR OF CEREMONIES, the name of David Rothstein was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND LIBRARIAN, the name of Harry Bingham Donnelly was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES, for a two-year term, fourteen names were submitted in nomination, i.e.

A. S. McCann
F. B. Lynes
J. Reid Glenn
W. A. Prugh
C. A. Midwinter
Clark R. Hopper
R. W. Campbell
Frank M. Bastin
G. V. Henderson
K. R. Kennedy
C. C. Thomson
Nathan Rothstein
John Norquay
M. E. MacKinnon

The number of ballots cast was 533 of which 524 were valid (9 spoiled). The necessary quota to elect was 66. The following named brethren received the required quota or an equivalent to elect.

J. Reid Glenn
G. V. Henderson
K. R. Kennedy
M. E. MacKinnon
C. A. Midwinter
John Norquay
W. A. Prugh
Nathan Rothstein

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

In accordance with the provisions of the Constitution, the following brethren have been elected District Deputy Grand Masters of the respective Districts as indicated. Their election has been confirmed by the Grand Master Elect.

FIRST MASONIC DISTRICT, Angus A. McDonald, St. John's Lodge No. 4.

SECOND MASONIC DISTRICT, Benjamin Angus, McCreary Lodge No. 133.

THIRD MASONIC DISTRICT, John A. Sundell, Holland Lodge No. 63.

FOURTH MASONIC DISTRICT, Norman H. Ashley, Manitou Lodge No. 30.

FIFTH MASONIC DISTRICT, Harold M. Mayhew, Strathclair Lodge No. 106.

SIXTH MASONIC DISTRICT, Richard H. Gibson, Hartney Lodge No. 52.

SEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT, Clarence Moore, Lebanon Lodge No. 43.

EIGHTH MASONIC DISTRICT, Walter J. Hamblin, King Solomon Lodge No. 8.

NINTH MASONIC DISTRICT, Edwin Burnett, Favel Lodge No. 126.

TENTH MASONIC DISTRICT, John Longbottom, Ophir Lodge No. 112.

TWELFTH MASONIC DISTRICT, Alexander E. Duff, Fort Garry Lodge No. 130.

All of which is fraternally submitted,

WILLIAM DOUGLAS,
Chairman.

This report was presented by M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4) who moved its adoption, seconded by M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe (93). Carried.

The M.W. Grand Master then declared the several Officers of Grand Lodge and the members of the Board of General Purposes to be duly elected.

PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES

The Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Gordon A. McMorran asked the Past District Deputy Grand Masters and Elected and Appointed Officers of his term to approach the Grand East, where he presented them with their past rank Certificates. While doing so, he most appropriately expressed his thanks for their support to him during the past year.

THANKS AND APPRECIATION

M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole (7) moved, seconded by R.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans (113) and unanimously carried, a vote of thanks to the Management and Staff of the Royal Alexandra Hotel for their courtesies and attention to our needs and to all who had contributed so much to the successful completion of this Seventy-eighth Annual Communication.

INSTALLATION CEREMONIES

The brethren joined in the singing of the hymn "O Master let me walk with Thee" after which the M.W. Grand Master asked M.W. Bro. Maurice S. Donovan (113), Grand Installing Officer, to assume the gavel.

In accepting the gavel, M.W. Bro. Donovan said it was with much regret he was commencing the Installation Ceremonies without the presence of our Grand Master Elect, R.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray, and requested the Grand Chaplain R.W. Bro. H. L. Newton (19) to lead us in a special prayer. The brethren stood in silence while the Grand Chaplain in his prayer asked that the Most High in His wisdom might see fit to accede to the wishes of our hearts and grant our Grand Master Elect an early and complete recovery to health.

M.W. Bro. Donovan then asked the Grand Director of Ceremonies, R.W. Bro. David Rothstein (141) to assist him and in a very impressive manner the Grand Lodge Officers, with the exception of the M.W. Grand Master, were installed in their respective stations.

At the conclusion of this Ceremony, M.W. Brother Donovan returned the gavel to M.W. Brother Gordon A. McMorran (27) expressing the thought that the events of the past year had shown the destinies of this Grand Lodge were in capable hands until such time as our Grand Master Elect could be installed into his Office.

M.W. Brother McMorran accepted the return of the gavel and expressed his thanks for the capable manner in which the Installation Ceremonies had been completed.

R.W. Brother J. Ferguson Irwin (24), newly installed Junior Grand Warden, speaking on behalf of the Elected Officers said he was sorry the Grand Master Elect was not present, but the Elected Officers were appreciative of their Office and pledged their support to Grand Lodge.

V.W. Bro. Myrton Mills (160), newly appointed Senior Grand Deacon, spoke for the Appointed Officers, expressing their appreciation for their appointment and their aim to perform their duties to the best of their ability and he too expressed the hope that the Grand Master elect would soon be able to be Installed and take control of Grand Lodge.

PRESENTATIONS

M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe (93) presented to M.W. Brother McMorran, his Certificate of Past Grand Master of this Grand Lodge, a tangible paper evidence of rank for what had been a year of service.

The brethren united in singing the closing hymn "God of our Fathers, known of old."

The business of this Seventy-eighth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, having been completed, the Grand Chaplain led the brethren in prayer and Grand Lodge was closed by Most Worshipful Brother Gordon A. McMorran, in Ample Form.

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Thos. Jackson

Grand Secretary.

FORM OF BEQUEST FOR THE BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA

The following form of Bequest may be used by any Brother desiring to bequeath any sum for the benefit of the Benevolent Endowment Fund of Grand Lodge:

"I, give unto my Executor or Executors the sum of ---------------------- ($------------) upon trust to pay the same to the Grand Secretary for the time being, of the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Manitoba, for the purposes and benefit of the Benevolent Endowment Fund of the said Grand Lodge, and I declare that the receipt for such sum of the said Grand Secretary shall be an absolute discharge for such payment.

------------------------------------Signed."

The Lodge Secretary will bring this to the attention of the brethren either at the Lodge Meeting or in the Monthly Notice.

BEQUESTS MADE TO THE BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA, A.F. & A.M.

To date, the following bequests made by members of the Craft have been received by the Benevolent Endowment Fund:

1952—Estate of the late W.Bro. Andrew Brown....	$18,751.63
1953—Estate of the late W.Bro. Andrew Brown....	729.17
1953—Estate of the late Bro. Wm. Boyd..............	500.00
	$19,980.80

GRAND LODGE LIBRARY

Brethren are reminded of the facilities offered by the Grand Lodge Library for increasing their Masonic Knowledge. Travelling sets of books, specially arranged for the use of country Lodges, are available, and individual country members can have books posted to them.

Full particulars may be obtained from the Grand Librarian, Masonic Temple, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

GRAND LODGE OFFICERS ELECTED AND APPOINTED FOR 1953-1954

Grand Master	M.W. Bro. H. H. Gray (141)	Winnipeg
Deputy Grand Master	R.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans (113)	Brandon
Senior Grand Warden	R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett (121)	St. James
Junior Grand Warden	R.W. Bro. J. F. Irwin (24)	Neepawa
Grand Treasurer	R.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4)	Winnipeg
Grand Secretary	R.W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson (3)	Winnipeg
Grand Chaplain	R.W. Bro. Rev. H. L. Newton (19)	Winnipeg
Grand Historian	M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4)	Winnipeg
G.D. of Ceremonies	R.W. Bro. D. Rothstein (141)	Winnipeg
Grand Librarian	M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly (138)	St. Vital
Senior Grand Deacon	V.W. Bro. Myrton Mills (160)	Starbuck
Junior Grand Deacon	V.W. Bro. A. R. Laird (145)	St. James
Senior Grand Steward	V.W. Bro. H. F. Friesen (55)	Gretna
Junior Grand Steward	V.W. Bro. H. Purton (111)	Winnipeg
Grand Organist	V.W. Bro. Wm. Caley (68)	Dauphin
Grand Pursuivant	V.W. Bro. Jas. Mowat (140)	Winnipeg
Grand Tyler	V.W. Bro. V. E. G. Little (84)	Decker

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

1st Masonic District	R.W. Bro. A. A. McDonald (4)	Fort Garry
2nd Masonic District	R.W. Bro. B. Angus (133)	McCreary
3rd Masonic District	R.W. Bro. J. A. Sundell (63)	Holland
4th Masonic District	R.W. Bro. N. H. Ashley (30)	Manitou
5th Masonic District	R.W. Bro. H. M. Mayhew (106)	Strathclair
6th Masonic District	R.W. Bro. R. H. Gibson (52)	Hartney
7th Masonic District	R.W. Bro. Clarence Moore (43)	Virden
8th Masonic District	R.W. Bro. W. J. Hamblin (8)	Morris
9th Masonic District	R.W. Bro. J. E. Burnett (126)	Minitonas
10th Masonic District	R.W. Bro. J. A. Longbottom (112)	Anola
12th Masonic District	R.W. Bro. A. E. Duff (130)	Winnipeg

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

PRESIDENT

R.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans (113), Deputy Grand Master	Brandon

VICE-PRESIDENT

R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett (121), Senior Grand Warden	St. James

BY VIRTUE OF OFFICE

M.W. Bro. E. T. Greenway (71) Past Grand Master	Crystal City
M.W. Bro. A. J. Hatcher (19) Past Grand Master	Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. W. J. Major (25) Past Grand Master	Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. J. S. MacEwing (51) Past Grand Master	Treherne
M.W. Bro. A. L. Crossin (10) Past Grand Master	Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4), P.G.M. and Grand Historian	Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. N. J. Black (3) Past Grand Master	Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. D. S. Woods (90) Past Grand Master	St. Norbert
M.W. Bro. Robt. Hawkins (68) Past Grand Master	Dauphin
M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence (25) Past Grand Master	Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. G. R. Calvert (1) Past Grand Master	Calgary

M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (11) Past Grand Master	Portage la Prairie
M.W. Bro. Samuel Burland (12) Past Grand Master	St. Vital
M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan (158) Past Grand Master	Brandon
M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly (138) P.G.M. and Grand Librarian	St. Vital
M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald (70) Past Grand Master	Roland
M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole (7) Past Grand Master	Portage la Prairie
M.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe (93) Past Grand Master	Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran (27) Immediate Past Grand Master	Souris
M.W. Bro. H. H. Gray (141) Grand Master	Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. J. F. Irwin (24) Junior Grand Warden & Hon. Mem.	Neepawa
R.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4) Grand Treasurer	Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson (3) Grand Secretary	Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. Rev. H. L. Newton (19) Grand Chaplain	Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. David Rothstein (141) G.D. of Ceremonies	Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. H. W. Gill (G.R.N.D.) Hon. P.G.M.	Bismarck
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M.W. Bros. C. L. Jacobson (G.R. Minn.) Hon. P.G.M.	Minneapolis
M.W. Bro. E. J. Franta (G.R.N.D.) Hon. P.G.M.	Langdon
M.W. Bro. G. W. Christie (G.R. Minn.) Hon. P.G.M.	Red Lake Falls
R.W. Bro. R. A. Tate (G.R. Sask.) Hon. D.G.M.	Regina
R.W. Bro. S. Hart Green (143) Honorary Member	Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. Hugh M. Kerr (158) Honorary Member	Brandon
W. Bro. A. E. Boyle (114) Honorary Member	Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. A. A. McDonald (4) D.D.G.M. 1st. Masonic Dist.	Fort Garry
R.W. Bro. B. Angus (133) D.D.G.M. 2nd Masonic District	McCreary
R.W. Bro. J. A. Sundell (63) D.D.G.M. 3rd Masonic District	Holland
R.W. Bro. N. H. Ashley (30) D.D.G.M. 4th Masonic District	Manitou
R.W. Bro. H. M. Mayhew (106) D.D.G.M. 5th Mas. Dist.	Strathclair
R.W. Bro. R. H. Gibson (52) D.D.G.M. 6th Masonic District	Hartney
R.W. Bro. C. Moore (43) D.D.G.M. 7th Masonic District	Virden
R.W. Bro. W. J. Hamblin (8) D.D.G.M. 8th Masonic District	Morris
R.W. Bro. J. E. Burnett (126) D.D.G.M. 9th Masonic District	Minitonas
R.W. Bro. J. A. Longbottom (112) D.D.G.M. 10th Masonic District	Anola
R.W. Bro. A. E. Duff (130) D.D.G.M. 12th Masonic District	Winnipeg

ELECTED BY GRAND LODGE IN 1952

For a Two-Year Term

R.W. Bro. A. J. Sawatzky (8)	Morris
R.W. Bro. W. J. McGregor (11)	Gladstone
R.W. Bro. A. D. Blair (64)	Alexander
R.W. Bro. F. C. Davey (93)	Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. G. O. Couch (109)	Swan Lake
R.W. Bro. E. L. White (131)	Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. Matt. Ferguson (137)	Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat (139)	Winnipeg

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For a Two-Year Term

R.W. Bro. John Norquay (2)	East Kildonan
R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy (4)	Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. M. E. MacKinnon (49)	MacGregor
R.W. Bro. G. V. Henderson (106)	Strathclair
R.W. Bro. C. A. Midwinter (111)	Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. W. A. Prugh (113)	Brandon
V.W. Bro. Nathan Rothstein (141)	Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. J. R. Glenn (144)	Winnipeg

STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

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R.W. Bro. A. J. Sawatzky

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R.W. Bro. M. Ferguson
R.W. Bro. J. R. Glenn
R.W. Bro. J. F. Irwin
R.W. Bro. M. E. MacKinnon
R.W. Bro. J. Norquay
R.W. Bro. D. Rothstein

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R.W. Bro. J. F. Irwin
M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan
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R.W. Bro. A. D. Blair
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W. Bro. A. E. Boyle

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M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence
R.W. Bro. C. A. Midwinter

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M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly
M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni
M.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran

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R.W. Bro. J. R. Glenn
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R.W. Bro. J. Norquay
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V.W. Bro. N. Rothstein

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R.W. Bro. H. L. Newton
M.W. Bro. C. E. Cole
R.W. Bro. M. Ferguson
R.W. Bro. J. F. Irwin
R.W. Bro. G. V. Henderson
R.W. Bro. C. A. Midwinter
R.W. Bro. W. J. McGregor
R.W. Bro. J. Norquay

CORRESPONDENCE

R.W. Bro. Hugh M. Kerr

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R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat
M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe
M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas
M.W. Bro. W. J. Major
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R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett
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R.W. Bro. W. Percy White

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M.W. Bro. H. Coddington
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M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni
R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy
R.W. Bro. W. Percy White
V.W. Bro. N. Rothstein

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M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas
M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald
R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat

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M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald
M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe
M.W. Bro. S. Burland
R.W. Bro. W. Percy White

CONSTITUTION AND REVISION

R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy

M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly	R.W. Bro. S. Hart Green
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R.W. Bro. J. R. Glenn	W. Bro. A. E. Boyle

FIRST MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit a report of my activities as your representative for the First Masonic District of Manitoba for the year 1952-1953.

V.W. Bro. David Mitchell, Northern Light (10), was re-elected Treasurer, W.Bro. Angus A. MacDonald, St. John's (4), was appointed Secretary, and W.Bro. John T. Corrie, Prince Rupert's (1), was appointed Chaplain. These brethren, with R.W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson, I.P.D.D. G.M., constituted the District Officers for the year.

On September 8th, 1952, a meeting with the Worshipful Masters, Wardens, and Secretaries of the District was held in the Masonic Temple, at which their attention was called to a number of matters deemed of interest and a general discussion took place regarding problems affecting the District.

On January 12th, 1953, a meeting of the Worshipful Masters, Wardens and Secretaries of the lodges of the District for 1953 was held in the Masonic Temple, and the same procedure was followed as at the similar preceding meeting held on September 8th, 1953. It is hoped that these two meetings afforded an opportunity of acquainting the senior officer of the lodges in this District with the wishes of Grand Lodge and, at the same time, of bringing out the various problems of the officers of those lodges.

My official visits to the lodges in the First Masonic District were as follows:

1952	
October 7	"The Assiniboine" No. 114
October 8	St. James No. 121
October 9	Norwood No. 119
October 15	King Edward No. 93
October 20	Empire No. 127
1953	
January 7	St. John's No. 4
January 14	Acacia No. 111
January 19	Ancient Landmark No. 3
February 2	Ionic No. 25
February 17	Prince Rupert's No. 1
February 19	Northern Light No. 10
March 3	Ashlar No. 162
March 5	Friendship U.D.

At each of these meetings an address was given by me on a subject deemed of particular timely interest to Freemasons.

I also paid one or more unofficial visits to each lodge in the District for the purpose of witnessing the exemplification of degree work, which was in every case conducted in an impressive manner.

The District Meeting was held in the Masonic Temple on Friday, the 28th of November, 1952, when it was graced by the presence of yourself and a large number of Grand Lodge Officers, including R.W. Bro. J. J. Tjaden, D.D.G.M. of the Eighth Masonic District, R.W. Bro. Wm. Bird, D.D.G.M. of the Tenth Masonic District, and R.W. Bro. Frank M. Bastin, D.D.G.M. of the Twelfth Masonic District.

There was a fine attendance at this meeting, including the Worshipful Masters of all the lodges of the District who were accompanied by a representative attendance of their Wardens, Past Masters, and Master Mason members.

Following the recommendation of R.W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson, I.P.D.D.G.M., the reports of the activities of the constituent lodges were digested by the District Officers, and a single comprehensive report was compiled therefrom by W.Bro. B. Stuart Parker, St. John's (4).

Three names were placed in nomination for the office of District Deputy Grand Master for the First Masonic District for the year 1953-4. After the ballots were counted the Scrutineers announced that W.Bro. Angus A. MacDonald, St. John's (4), had received a majority of the votes, and he was declared elected, subject to confirmation by the Grand Master-elect.

M.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe, the I.P.G.M., fittingly thanked R.W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson for the excellence of his work as his representative in the District for the year 1951-2, and then, on behalf of the District, presented the Apron, Collar and Jewel of a P.D.D.G.M. to R.W. Bro. Jackson, who made a suitable reply.

Your address as Grand Master was most timely and inspiring and climaxed what I believe was a beneficial and successful District Meeting.

It was my privilege to accompany you on your official visits during the year to all the lodges in Greater Winnipeg visited by you, to the Eighth Masonic District Meeting at Sperling, to the Twelfth Masonic District Meeting in Winnipeg, to King Solomon Lodge at Morris, on the occasion of the Consecration and Constitution of Harry Woods Lodge at Lundar, and to the International Area Meeting at Souris.

It was also my pleasure to attend Norwood Lodge New Year's Reception, the Annual Canadian Night of "The Assiniboine" Lodge, Robbie Burns' Night at Acacia Lodge, the 35th Anniversary of Empire Lodge, and Ladies' Night of Prince Rupert's Lodge, Ancient Landmark Lodge, and Acacia Lodge.

On Sunday morning, April 26th, over four hundred members of the District, including yourself and practically all of your Grand Lodge Officers, attended Divine Service in Westminster United Church where Bro. the Rev. Allen R. Huband, D.D., Northern Light (10), delivered a timely, eloquent, and inspiring sermon. It was most gratifying to see so many brethren of the District attending this fine service.

I also attended Divine Service with the members of St. John's Lodge, "The Assiniboine" Lodge, and Empire Lodge.

On all my official visits I was accompanied by an excellent representation from the lodges of the District, and I would like to express my thanks to the Masters, Officers and Past Masters for their unfailing support and encouragement.

I must also express my appreciation to my District Officers, V.W. Bro. David Mitchell, Treasurer, W. Bro. Angus A. MacDonald, Secretary, and W. Bro. J. T. Corrie, Chaplain, for their encouragement and ever-ready and able assistance at all times; to W.Bro. A. E. Boyle, whose constant advice, assistance and encouragement were most helpful; and to the Grand Secretary and Executive Secretary, who were always available and gave so freely of their advice and co-operation.

Finally, I wish to thank the brethren of the First Masonic District for electing me as your District Deputy Grand Master and thereby enabling me to profit so much from my many happy experiences during my term of office as your representative in this District; and to you, Most Worshipful Sir, I owe a debt of gratitude for the many courtesies I received at your hands.

Fraternally submitted.

RUSSELL W. CAMPBELL
D.D.G.M. First Masonic District.

SECOND MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

The time has arrived, so quickly it seems, for me to give a report of my term in office as D.D.G.M. for the Second Masonic District for 1952-53.

At the District meeting held at Wellwood in October, 1951, the brethren of this District, out of the goodness of their hearts and Masonic charity accorded me an election by acclamation for the ensuing term and in June 1952, you confirmed my election. Working with you has been a privilege and a pleasure.

I appointed from Temple Lodge, MacGregor, W. Bro. Harold Collins as my Secretary and W. Bro. R.W. Cobbe as my Chaplain, each of whom performed his duties in a very faithful and efficient manner.

On June 23, 1952, in accordance with your expressed wishes I held a District organization meeting at Gladstone. This meeting was attended by the principal Officers of most every Lodge and proved to be very beneficial and helpful. Problems affecting the whole District were discussed and suggestions made for the programme for the District Meeting. Many principal Officers present took advantage of this opportunity to discuss Masonic problems of special interest to each.

On October 9, 1952, I had the honour to welcome you, together with a number of Grand Lodge Officers to the District meeting at MacGregor. Your very interesting and helpful address was greatly appreciated by all the brethren. Rt. Worshipful Brother Gray's talk on the duties of a Worshipful Master contained a good deal of good instruction. I think it would be admitted by all present that this was a very successful meeting. 175 members registered.

On December 2, 1952, I accepted the kind invitation of St. Andrews Lodge, Wellwood, and assisted by members of Temple Lodge, installed the Officers of the said Lodge.

On March 10, 1953, together with a number of brethren from Temple Lodge, I attended the 70th anniversary celebration of Neepawa Lodge. The highlights of this celebration were the splendid addresses by Most Worshipful Brother Fahrni and yourself. The Officers and brethren of Neepawa Lodge can be congratulated for the very fitting way in which they celebrated the 70th Anniversary of their Lodge. The whole affair was a grand success.

On April 3, 1953, I attended the Area Meeting when the brethren of Assiniboine Lodge, Portage la Prairie, were the hosts. The large commodious Lodge room was filled to capacity and the meeting a decided success.

I attended all meetings of the Board of General Purposes held in the Masonic Temple, Winnipeg, except one. I made official visits to each Lodge in my District on the following dates; namely:

Gladstone Lodge No. 11, Gladstone	September 8th, 1952
McCreary Lodge No. 133, McCreary	September 10th, 1952
Assiniboine Lodge No. 7, Portage la Prairie	September 15th, 1952
Temple Lodge No. 49, MacGregor	September 16th, 1952
Carberry Lodge No. 29, Carberry	September 30th, 1952
Union Lodge No. 108, Brookdale	October 2nd, 1952
St. Andrew's Lodge No. 116, Wellwood	October 6th, 1952
Neepawa Lodge No. 24, Neepawa	October 14th, 1952
Gothic Lodge No. 75, Austin	November 12th, 1952

On all my official visits I was accompanied by a large number of brethren from Temple Lodge, MacGregor, and at every meeting the Lodge room was filled to capacity. I am happy to report that as your representative I was received on all official visits with proper Masonic honours.

I witnessed Degree Work in practically all Lodges and in my opinion it was well done. I also brought to the attention of the brethren of each Lodge the matter of special interests in pursuance with your instructions and especially the matter of maintaining the social hour at a high moral level.

I was fortunate in having the opportunity of making a second visit to all Lodges except one, and through you, I wish to extend to the brethren in all Lodges in the district my sincere thanks and appreciation for the co-operation, courtesy and kindness extended to me at all times.

I am pleased to report considerable improvement to Lodge rooms in the district.

Gladstone Lodge has completed extensive repairs and constructed a new foundation and basement under its Lodge Room.

Union Lodge, Brookdale, has installed three new pedestals and made extensive improvements to its grounds.

Temple Lodge, MacGregor, having received the necessary dispensation from Grand Lodge, has commenced tearing down its old Temple and will shortly commence erecting a new Temple.

These improvements to Lodge premises and furnishings are a credit, not only to the Lodges concerned, but to the whole district.

The financial position of every Lodge in the district is in good standing, each having a surplus of cash receipts over expenditures.

All Lodges except two had new candidates during my term of office. Altogether seventeen new members were initiated. Unfortunately, eight members passed to the Grand Lodge Above leaving a net gain of only nine members. Four lodges actually gained in membership while five lodges each held its own or had less members at the end of the year.

Generally speaking, the population in our country districts and in many of our small towns is decreasing and consequently it is difficult to obtain many new members. We also have to face the fact of increasing competition for membership from other organizations and fraternal sociietes as well as the tendency of the present generation to devote so much time to sport and pleasure.

A large number of the members in our Lodges are composed of men over middle age, a great many of whom during the next few years, will be called to the Grand Lodge Above. In the smaller country Lodges we need an increase in the number of candidates in order to maintain our present membership.

All Lodges in this District carry fire insurance but in a number of cases I think the amount carried should be substantially increased especially after the disastrous experience of the brethren of Elgin Lodge No. 86.

Dependents of members of one Lodge only in this District at present are receiving any benefits from the Benevolent Fund of Grand Lodge; a very good sign perhaps.

All Lodges are doing some benevolent work although in some cases I think this sphere of activity could be increased to advantage without undue hardship to any member.

A number of the Lodges in the District are doing splendid work in the important sphere of Masonic education and instruction. Some of the smaller country Lodges, however, find it very difficult to obtain the necessary leadership to accomplish much in this sphere of activity. Some of our larger Lodges have a good library but some of the smaller Lodges have no library of any account. I think that if we could place a small library of a few outstanding Masonic books in every Lodge it would encourage Masonic reading. With this end in view I presented each Lodge with a copy of the Masons' Guide and Compendium.

Generally speaking, I am proud to report that Masonry in this District is in a good healthy condition. I would say that an improvement in Masonic spirit and activity is in evidence in all Lodges.

Finally, through you I would like to extend to my District Secretary, Bro. Harold Collins, and to my District Chaplain, W. Bro. R. W. Cobbe, my sincere thanks and appreciation for their assistance, co-operation and help during my term of office. They were very faithful and attended with me on every visit.

I also wish to express to the Grand Secretary and Grand Lodge Officers my sincere appreciation for their guidance and assistance in all cases.

It has been well said that one gets out of Freemasonry what one puts into it but from my experience during my term of office I would say one gets from Freemasonry a great deal more than one can ever put into it.

Fraternally submitted,

H. A. LYE,
D.D.G.M. Second Masonic District.

THIRD MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

As my term of office as your representative in the Third Masonic District draws to a close, I take pleasure and pride in submitting for your kind consideration, an account of my stewardship and trust you will find this report satisfactory.

First—May I take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation and gratefulness to the brethren of the Third Masonic District for electing me to this high office and to you Most Worshipful Sir for confirming that election.

Secondly—Any misgivings that I may have had with regard to the office of District Deputy Grand Master being an office of dignity and honor *only*, were immediately dispelled, when we as a group were schooled by R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett on our duties as representatives of the Grand Master in our respective districts. May I say that as the year progressed I have been more deeply impressed by the work and the responsibility that goes along with this office.

My first official act was the appointment of W. Bro. W. B. McKay as District Secretary and Rev. Bro. C. Manning as District Chaplain.

With the assistance of my own Lodge and many brethren from neighboring Lodges, arrangements were made for the District Meeting which was held in Elm Creek on Friday the 10th day of October 1952.

The District Meeting was held in Crescent Lodge Room and was, in my opinion, well attended. The register showed the following present:

Grand Lodge Officers	6
Past Grand Lodge Officers	8
Visitors	25
District Attendance	109
Making a total of	148

Every Lodge presented a report on its year's activities. These reports would indicate that, generally speaking, all the Lodges in the District are in a healthy condition, having a total membership of 615 which shows an increase of 33 over the previous year. After Lodge reports a question and answer period followed, which, in turn, proved interesting and enlightening.

One of the most important tasks of the afternoon session was the election of a District Deputy Grand Master for 1953-54. There was but one name placed in nomination, that of V.W. Bro. J. A. Sundell of Holland Lodge No. 63 and he was in turn declared elected subject to the approval of the Grand Master.

At the close of the afternoon session the meeting adjourned to the Community Hall for refreshment. A banquet prepared and served by the Ladies of Chapter No. 32 Order of the Eastern Star. Their splendid effort we think was well rewarded if the rapid disappearance of fine food is to be taken as a mark of affirmation. We of Crescent Lodge are indeed grateful to the Ladies for their pleasant and generous service. The outstanding feature of this banquet hour was an address by M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly in response to a toast to the Craft.

The evening session was exceptionally well attended and concluded the business of the day, after which came the culminating and outstanding feature of the District Meeting—an address by M.W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran, Grand Master of Masons of Manitoba.

During my term of office I have, in my official capacity, visited all ten Lodges in my District. I have on these official occasions observed and reported on the attendance, the work, opening, closing and Degree Work, the secretarial records, the financial standing, the historical records, and last but not least, the harmony within the various Lodges. Further may I say, that with but very few exceptions my findings have been to me at least encouraging and gratifying. My official visits in the District were made as follows:

Strathcona Lodge No. 117	October 21st, 1952
Starbuck Lodge No. 160	November 27th, 1952
Wawanesa Lodge No. 67	February 16th, 1953
Cypress Lodge No. 82	February 22nd, 1953
Rathwell Lodge No. 87	March 3rd, 1953
Glenboro Lodge No. 48	March 10th, 1953
Holland Lodge No. 63	March 11th, 1953
Swan Lake Lodge No. 109	March 18th, 1953
Treherne Lodge No. 51	March 30th, 1953
Crescent Lodge No. 103	April 1st, 1953

On each occasion I was accompanied by members of my own Lodge and on several occasions brethren from neighboring Lodges travelled with me. For their help and support I am indeed grateful.

R.W. Bro. J. W. Johnston was kind enough to make arrangements for District Church Service held at Treherne. The order of service was taken by Rev. Smith of Treherne while the address for the occasion was given by Rev. Bro. Pippy of Swan Lake Lodge 109. All Lodges were represented.

On April 2nd of this year the District Secretary summoned all the Lodges of the District to a meeting of what we choose to call a meeting of the District Committee of General Purposes. The notice asked each Lodge to send two of the most responsible members to the meeting. I am proud to say that all Lodges, with the exception of one, sent representatives. Many matters of interest pertaining to the welfare of the District were dealt with and disposed of in a most satisfactory manner.

In all my visits I have found the Lodges housed in very comfortable and pleasant Lodge rooms with two possible exceptions, those being Starbuck and my own Crescent Lodge. However I am pleased and proud to report that in both cases plans are now well advanced to provide themselves with a permanent home. I wish them both success.

In conclusion may I say that the duties of the year as your representative in the Third Masonic District together with my other public and private activities have made this a most busy and active year. However, I hasten to assure you that with respect to Masonry it has indeed been interesting, profitable and pleasant. For this unique experience I wish to thank you warmly. My deep concern is that I have not betrayed your trust nor the trust of all the brethren of the Third Masonic District.

Fraternally submitted,

ERNEST A. BARAGAR,
D.D.G.M. Third Masonic District.

FOURTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration and approval my report of activities as your representative in the Fourth Masonic District for the year 1951-1952.

The year has been a very pleasant one for me. During the year, the theme which I have tried to follow was to have every man in the Lodge a worker, and eager to take his part in the life of the Lodge.

On assuming the duties of this important office, I appointed W. Bro. Stan. McGill as my District Secretary and W. Bro. N. W. Gorrell as District Chaplain. Along with the splendid help which I received from these two men and the whole-hearted support of all Masters, Officers and Brethren of the several lodges, I feel that the spirit of Brotherhood and Friendship has not only been maintained but it has been increased.

Our first effort of the year was to have a supper meeting of Masters and Officers of all the Lodges. I would like to report that this proved a wonderful starting point in the work. We also seemed to be of one accord in our views as to the type of work we wished to foster during the year. It also "broke the ice" to a better understanding and fellowship for the meetings to come.

I visited all the Lodges in this District in the latter part of the year. In them all, I was very cordially received. We spent as much time as possible in attempting to have all the members of the Lodges take part in group readings and discussions.

During the year I had the privilege and pleasure of attending several meetings in North Dakota, our International Area Meeting at Souris, and a number of Board Meetings in Winnipeg.

In the spring of this year I visited all Lodges a second time, with the exception of Doric Lodge, in an unofficial way.

In conclusion I wish to thank you, Most Worshipful Sir, for confirming my election to this office. I also wish to thank the brethren of the Fourth Masonic District for electing me, and for the loyal support they have given me. I trust my efforts as your representative have met with your approval.

Fraternally submitted,

D. A. McKAY,
D.D.G.M. Fourth Masonic District.

FIFTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I herewith enclose my report for the past year acting as your Deputy. I derived a great deal of pleasure and had wonderful support from my own Lodge—Prince of Wales, No. 14. In or at most of the Lodges I had good meetings, with several times, more visitors then members. I was received with Honors, and every Lodge seemed particularly nice to your Deputy. They all showed a lot of respect for Grand Lodge and its Officers. I found it impossible to visit them more than once officially. I did however make a special visit to Newdale and Hamiota Lodges.

Many of the Lodges in our District assisted Woodworth Lodge now under Dispensation, with gifts and in conferring Degrees. The whole District presented them with the Working Tools, and Shoal Lake Lodge gave them their regalia. I have heard nothing about anyone giving or receiving relief in the District but every Lodge does some benevolent work. Shoal Lake Lodge had a gift of new Regalia from the family of a deceased Brother.

I did not see very much Degree work, but what I did see was well done. I checked the penalties on many occasions and the District seems to have them uniform and as has been directed by Grand Lodge. Harmony prevails throughout this District.

Trusting that my reports have been satisfactory in conveying the desired information and that I have left some of the brethren with a desire to do better work, I am

Sincerely and Fraternally,

J. FLEMING,
D.D.G.M. for the Fifth Masonic District.

SIXTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration and approval, my report of activities, as your representative, of the Sixth Masonic District, for the year 1952-1953.

It has been a pleasure to represent you, and I thank all the brethren of the District, for the honor they have conferred on me, and also for the warm welcome I have received on all my visits.

After my election, I appointed Bro. R. McIntosh as District Secretary, and W. Bro. W. J. Abbey as District Chaplain. Owing to his duties, as School Principal, Bro. McIntosh found it impossible to continue, so I appointed Bro. L. L. Ludlam as Assistant Secretary, and I am very thankful for the assistance they have given me.

The dates of my official visits are as follows:

Napinka Lodge No. 77	July 3rd, 1952
Hartney Lodge No. 52	August 5th, 1952
Elgin Lodge No. 86	October 14th, 1952
Glenwood Lodge No. 27	October 24th, 1952
Oriental Lodge No. 54	November 25th, 1952
Deloraine Lodge No. 40	November 19th, 1952
Kilwinning Lodge No. 110	December 8th, 1952
Reston Lodge No. 104	March 12th, 1953

I arranged my Official Visits so I might witness Degree Work put on in every Lodge in the District. I also visited every Lodge, unofficially two or three times.

DISTRICT MEETING

The District Meeting was held on October 29th and its success was assured by the large number of officers and members of the lodges of the District being in attendance, there being 163 registered, the following Grand Lodge Officers being present: M.W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran, Grand Master; R.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray, Deputy Grand Master; R.W. Bro. Thos C. Jackson, Grand Secretary; R.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans, Senior Grand Warden; R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett, Junior Grand Warden.

In the afternoon meeting, R.W. Bro. Harry Gray gave a fine address on "The Duties of the Worshipful Master."

At the night meeting M.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran gave an address on the development of our ritual of the Fellow Craft Degree.

W. Bro. Richard Henry Gibson of Hartney Lodge 52 was unanimously elected to be the D.D.G.M. for the Sixth Masonic District for 1953-1954. M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe presented I.P.D.D.G.M., R.W. Bro. A. W. Bodkin with the regalia of P.D.D.G.M. Seven out of eight Lodges, gave their yearly report. A very fine banquet was held at 6.00 p.m., prepared by the Order of Eastern Star; Bro. D. L. Mellish ably filled the office of Toast Master.

In addition to my Official and second visits, I attended many Special Meetings and functions, those I recall so vividly, were the Constitution of Harry Woods Lodge at Lundar, on Aug. 28th; the International Area Meeting at Souris on May 1st; the District Divine Service, on May 10th with R.W. Bro. Harold L. Newton, Grand Chaplain, giving the Address, and last but not least in any way, the wonderful International Area Meeting at Langdon, N.D., on May 11th. It was also my pleasure to accompany you, at the District Meetings at Minnedosa, on Oct. 15th, at Crystal City, on Oct. 22nd, at Brandon, on Oct. 30th, and Metigoshe, on July 27th and the International Night at Deloraine, July 17th.

It was also a pleasure to visit at Lebanon Lodge, when the D.D.G.M. R.W. Bro. H. S. Perdue of the Seventh Masonic District, made his Official Visit.

It was with regret, I report on the loss of Elgin Lodge of all its regalia, and furniture, by fire, and the sympathy of the Sixth Masonic District goes out to them at this time.

During my term of office I greatly appreciate the opportunity of attending the meetings of the Board of General Purposes, and regret having to be absent at two of them owing to my occupation having need of my presence at that time. In conclusion I wish to thank you, Most Worshipful Sir, for confirming my election to this Office. I also wish to thank all the brethren who in any way assisted me by their help or by their presence at the meetings, to make this one of my happiest years in Masonry.

Fraternally submitted,

E. BROWN,
D.D.G.M. Sixth Masonic District.

SEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

Having the honor of being your representative in this District for the year 1952-53, I herewith respectfully submit a report of my stewardship.

I was privileged in having V.W. Bro. Fred C. Courtice of Brandon No. 19 act as Secretary. His efficiency, his guidance, his encouragement and his fine Masonic ideals contributed to a great degree to any success I may have had. Rev. Bro. J. C. Cronin was appointed as District Chaplain.

As recommended, an informal meeting was held and representatives from District Lodges gathered at Oak Lake to make plans for the District Meeting and to discuss District problems. At this meeting I gave each Worshipful Master and Secretary a copy of the duties of the District Deputy Grand Master and discussed each point with the group. This, I think, was more effective than trying to cover all the points upon an Official Visit. It also acquainted each Lodge with the responsibilities of the D.D.G.M., so that his work might be appreciated and supported more intelligently.

The fine spirit displayed at this meeting and the ready co-operation of all present made the subsequent meetings much easier both for the Lodges and for your representative.

The District Meeting was held in Brandon, October 30th, with a total attendance of 138. Our District was honored by the fine attendance of Grand Lodge Officers who accompanied their Grand Master, in the persons of M.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe P.G.M., M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole P.G.M., M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan P.G.M., R.W. Bro. H. H. Gray D.G.M., R.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans, S.G.W., R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett, J.G.W., R.W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson, Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. David Rothstein, G.D. of Ceremonies, V.W. Bro. McLaren Ewart, S.G.D., V.W. Bro. Alex. G. Barron, J.G.D., V.W. Bro. Robt. Wood, S.G.S., V.W. Bro. Fred. C. Courtice, Grand Organist and V.W. Bro. J. D. McDougall, G. Tyler. In addition there were 12 P.D.D.G.M.'s, all sitting Masters and most Wardens present.

M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan gave the Address of Welcome and the afternoon session with the Secretaries' reports and the question period proved very valuable.

A panel discussion on the Fellowcraft Degree was given under the Chairmanship of W. Bro. B. Thordarson and was of special interest to all.

The usual fine banquet was served by the ladies of the O.E.S.

At the evening session R.W. Bro. W. A. Prugh introduced the M.W. Grand Master and his large and distinguished suite.

M.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe, P.G.M., presented the P.D.D.G.M. regalia to R.W. Bro. Austin D. Blair, paying tribute to the very excellent way in which he had served his District, rendering exceptional service in his exemplification of Masonic Brotherhood. R.W. Bro. Blair replied in his usual modest and sincere manner.

The highlight of the evening session was your own Address, Most Worshipful Sir, and I would herewith like to record what I was happy to say on that occasion. "As a boy, at Souris, I looked up to you, as a man I grew to admire you and as a Mason I have come to recognize you as one who has climbed the winding stairs of Masonic Wisdom and Insight to a height few are privileged to reach."

There being only one nomination for the office of D.D.G.M., W. Bro. Clarence Moore of Lebanon Lodge No. 43 was declared elected subject to the approval of the incoming Grand Master.

The official visits were held as follows:

Lebanon Lodge No. 43	October 7th, 1952
Elkhorn Lodge No. 74	October 13th, 1952
Brandon Lodge No. 19	October 14th, 1952
Lansdowne Lodge No. 107	October 22nd, 1952
Oak Lake Lodge No. 44	November 13th, 1952
Tweed Lodge No. 113	November 18th, 1952
Composite Lodge No. 64	November 20th, 1952
Fenwick Lodge No. 158	November 28th, 1952

It was my privilege to present the following Addresses during these visits:

1. "The Challenge of Masonry."
2. "Speculative Masonry."
3. "Masonry."
4. "A Freemason."
5. "What it means to be a Mason."
6. "Our Fraternity."
7. "Masonic Beliefs and Actions."

Six of the eight Lodges were visited at least twice and Degree Work witnessed wherever possible, and it is with just pride and satisfaction that I report that the Officers and Degree Teams are maintaining a high standard of efficiency and enthusiasm.

The District Church Service was held in St. Paul's United Church, Brandon, on Sunday, May 3rd at 7 p.m. It was an honor to have you, Most Worshipful Sir, with us on that occasion, and your taking part gave the Service added dignity.

All Lodges were represented, and the Sermon given by Rev. R. M. Simmons of Brandon College, "Building the Invisible Temple of Brotherhood" was both inspiring and appropriate.

It has been my happy privilege to accompany you, Most Worshipful Sir, to the District Meetings of the Second, Fifth and Sixth Masonic Districts and to be with you on your Official Visits to Composite Lodge No. 64 and to the joint meeting of the three Brandon Lodges. In addition, I have been privileged to attend the Area Meeting held at Portage la Prairie and the International Area Meetings at Souris, Man., and Langdon, N.D. These were memorable occasions and will do much in the interests of our great Craft throughout both Grand Jurisdictions.

The privilege that has been mine in visiting the various Lodges has done much to increase my knowledge of Masonry, and words cannot adequately express the satisfaction that comes from meeting good true Craftsman in every Lodge whose warmth and co-operation make one more proud of our great order.

I have observed, as have others before me, that the success of a lodge depends upon leadership. In this respect the Seventh District has been very fortunate, but it is only fair to point out that unless Masons continue to value the Order and take pride in their lodge and its activities, this may not always be so.

Masonry is facing the challenge of a new age. The pioneer days have passed and in this expanding world with radio, television, increased travel, and manifold community activities to claim attention, our Order must be vigilant to retain its position. If necessary, the routine of business and Degree Work must be geared up to new ways of thinking. It may well be that more attention must be given to portraying the teachings and lessons of Masonry by plays and short talks, forums, etc., for I believe that new candidates are overwhelmed by being given more food for thought in a short space of time than they have ever before attempted to digest.

To those brethren who have been ever ready to assist me, I express my sincere thanks. Especially do I refer to you, Most Worshipful Sir, to M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan, to R.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans, and to the Grand Secretary and his efficient staff.

To those brethren who accompanied me on my visits I owe grateful thanks, especially the brethren of Brandon No. 19 who were so faithful.

It has been a very happy and inspiring year, and I wish to thank the Seventh Masonic District for the honor and privilege of serving and to pay tribute to them for their co-operation, hospitality, and fine Masonic spirit which was everywhere evidenced.

May the Great Architect continue to bless this District and help it in its great work bringing about universal recognition of the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man.

The New age stands as yet,
Half built against the sky,
Open to every threat of storms
That clamor by.
Scaffolding veils the walls,
And dim dust floats and falls,
As moving to and fro,
Their tasks the Masons ply.

Respectfully submitted,

H. S. PERDUE
D.D.G.M. Seventh Masonic District.

EIGHTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I herewith submit the report of my activities as your representative of the Eighth Masonic District for the 1952-1953 term.

My first act upon becoming your D.D.G.M. was to appoint W. Bro. A. M. Fewster of Patricia Lodge No. 125 as District Secretary, W. Bro. R. A. McKenzie, Shiloh Lodge No. 70 was again elected as District Treasurer and W. Bro. A. B. Campbell, Patricia Lodge No. 125, as District Chaplain.

As recommended at the first meeting of newly installed D.D.G.M.s, an informal meeting of principal officers of the various lodges in the District was called, to be held in Morris, the most central point for the Lodges to meet, but unfortunately this meeting was very poorly attended.

I received considerable assistance from the Past D.D.G.M.s of the Eighth Masonic District in preparing for our District Meeting and selecting a suitable date to fit in with your itinerary, and prepare a program for the District Meeting. The Masters of all Lodges were asked to assume the various Chairs and the Secretaries were asked to submit reports on the activities of interest of their Lodges.

The District Meeting was held in the basement of the Sperling United Church on Oct. 23rd. Due to a funeral service held in Carman the brethren of Carman Lodge were unable to be present on time so most of the business was carried on until they could arrive in order to hear the Address by R.W. Bro. H. H. Gray on "The Duties and Responsibilities of a Worshipful Master."

The selection of D.D.G.M. for 1953-1954 term was W. Bro. W. J. Hamblin of King Solomon Lodge No. 8, no other name being submitted.

Again M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald and R.W. Bro. L. C. Welsh were prevailed upon to conduct a School of Instruction, which was well received by the brethren.

M.W. Bro. McDonald made the presentation of regalia to R.W. Bro. Alex. R. Dick, I.P.D.D.G.M. who replied in his very capable manner.

Your Address Most Worshipful Sir was a very fitting climax to our successful meeting.

It was both a pleasure and an honor to be asked to accompany you on your Official Visits. I am sorry I could not take in all the visits but those that were of interest to me were Walhalla and the open air Lodge on Masonic Lookout Point which was opened by the Officers of East Star Lodge No. 55. Next, your Official Visit to Constitute Harry Woods Lodge at Lundar on Aug. 28th. To King Solomon Lodge No. 8 at Morris, and your Official Visits to the First and Twelfth Masonic Districts. I attended all meetings of the Board of General Purposes.

My Official Visits were made to:

Patricia Lodge No. 125	July 2, 1952
Emerson Lodge No. 6	September 18, 1952
Sprague Lodge No. 132	October 1, 1952
King Solomon Lodge No. 8	October 14, 1952
East Star Lodge No. 55	November 6, 1952
Midlothian Lodge No. 90	November 17, 1952
Penza Lodge No. 120	November 25, 1952
Shiloh Lodge No. 70	February 12, 1953
Carman Lodge No. 155	April 21, 1953

At all these visits I was introduced to the Lodges in form and accorded all the honors due the representative of the Grand Master.

I am happy to report that Patricia Lodge now has a new hall and Carman Lodge has new and more suitable accommodations. The District as a whole is progressing in Lodge work, harmony and visiting. The Annual Church Service was held in Sperling United Church on May 17th and we heard an inspiring message delivered by M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly to whom we are greatly indebted.

In conclusion I wish to thank you Most Worshipful Sir for confirming my election to this Office, and to thank the brethren of the Eighth Masonic District for nominating me, and the support they have given me during my term as D.D.G.M.

Fraternally submitted,

J. J. TJADEN,
D.D.G.M. Eighth Masonic District.

NINTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

It is with great pleasure I have the honor of submitting for your consideration and approval my report of the activities as your representative in the Ninth Masonic District for the term 1952-53.

After taking the office I decided I would make my Official Visits as soon as possible, so that I might have the balance of my term to come and go as I saw fit and be able to help where needed in the District. I completed my Official Visits on October eighth. I wish to say to you Most Worshipful Sir, and to all the Lodges in the District, that my visits to the different Lodges, and the reception I got from all made a very happy and profitable year for me. It is a year I will always look back on with a lot of fine memories.

My District Chaplain was with me on different visits, and the District Secretary R.W. Bro. Starr never missed a visit. Thanks, Brothers.

Our District Meeting was well attended. Every Lodge in the District being represented. We had a wonderful Address from our Grand Master. The other Grand Lodge Officers who made our meeting a success were R.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray, Deputy Grand Master; R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett, Junior Grand Warden, and R. W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson, Grand Secretary.

On my Official Visits I tried to carry out the instructions from Grand Lodge. I also tried to impress on the brethren the importance of "Living Masonry Outside of Lodge the Way We Profess To Live It When in the Lodge." I also asked them to ask themselves this question, "How Can I Live Masonry Better Than I Am Doing?"

The dates of my Official Visits were as follows:

Roblin Lodge No. 122	June 9, 1952
Victory Lodge No. 128	June 18, 1952
Hiram Lodge No. 94	June 19, 1952
Prince Arthur No. 105	July 3, 1952
Favel Lodge No. 126	August 5, 1952
Vermillion Lodge No. 68	September 2, 1952
Jubilee Lodge No. 147	September 11, 1952
Robbie Burns Lodge No. 100	October 8, 1952

I regret to report the passing of our late W. Bro. Swain of Grandview. I attended the funeral and was greatly impressed with the service, particularly the Master W. Bro. Jack Belton and the Chaplain W. Bro. McVey in the manner in which they performed their duties.

I made several visits back to some of the Lodges, as well as giving my moral support to D.D.G.M. R.W. Bro. John Fleming on his Official Visit to Russell Lodge No. 62. I attended the International Area Meeting at Souris. I am sorry I was unable to attend all the board meetings.

Now that the duties of my office as District Deputy Grand Master of the Ninth Masonic District are completed, I would like to thank each and every one who gave me their assistance and help during the term. I felt it a great honor and was proud to represent the Ninth Masonic District. To you Most Worshipful Grand Master it has been a pleasure to have had the privilege of representing you in this District and trust my term has met with your approval.

Fraternally submitted,

GEO. KELSO,
D.D.G.M. Ninth Masonic District.

TENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit my report on the condition of Freemasonry in the Tenth Masonic District, and on my activities as your representative for the past year.

I have visited each of the eleven Lodges officially, and re-visited six Lodges informally to witness Degree Work. On every occasion the spirit of kindness and brotherly love has been extended to me in a splendid manner, while the esteem and loyalty to you, Most Worshipful Sir, has been exhibited at every meeting that I have attended.

The Lodges in the Tenth Masonic District are all in a healthy condition financially and prospects for future development are good. Six of the eleven Lodges own their Lodge Halls. Others have a fund earmarked for building purposes, and are adding to this fund. A high degree of harmony and fellowship exists throughout the District.

The records of my Official Visits are as follows:

Stony Mountain Lodge No. 134	September 3, 1952
Stonewall Lodge No. 12	September 4, 1952
Transcona Lodge No. 123	September 5, 1952
Seven Oaks Lodge No. 148	September 12, 1952
Ophir Lodge No. 112	September 15, 1952
Manitouwapa Lodge No. 156	September 16, 1952
Harry Woods Lodge No. 164	September 23, 1952
The Dormer Lodge No. 151	October 7, 1952
Pine Falls Lodge No. 154	October 10, 1952
Kildonan Lodge No. 131	October 14, 1952
Lisgar Lodge No. 2	October 21, 1952

I witnessed Degree Work in all but Manitouwapa Lodge No. 156. I found it almost impossible on account of road conditions to visit Manitouwapa Lodge when they had Degree Work, but I feel assured that under the guiding hand of R.W. Bro. D. Ferguson, this work will be carried on in an able manner. The work in all the other Lodges is exemplified in able manner, and the work of the Junior Officers is commendable, and particularly so where regular practices are the order. In passing, Most Worshipful Sir, I would be remiss in my duty if I failed to congratulate The Dormer Lodge No. 151, and Kildonan Lodge No. 131 on their foresight, and initiative in acquiring their beautiful, and appropriate "Home" on Melrose Avenue. This structure is not only a monument to the ambition of the brethren, but it is also a real asset to the Community.

My activities outside of my own District were restricted by the distance from the centre of major activities. My Official Duty was to accompany you Sir and your Grand Lodge Officers at the consecration, and constitution of the Harry Woods Lodge at Lundar. I feel sure that this Lodge will, with the memory and inspiration of that great Mason who's name it bears, be a real asset to the Community, and see that entering its portals will recognize the mark of that Builder carved in the stone of their earthly Temple. I also had the pleasure of accompanying you Sir, to the following meetings of the Lodges—Ancient Landmark on 27th October, The District Meetings of the First, Twelfth, and Tenth Masonic

Districts; to Kildonan Lodge on the occasion of your Official Visit. I have attended all of the regular meetings of the Board of General Purposes except one, and I found them very instructive, and interesting. On 6th February by request of W. Bro. Don Currie, I visited Rice Lake Lodge, and had the pleasure of assisting in the Degree Work, as W. Bro. Currie unhappily was confined to bed.

At all of my Official Visits I delivered an address on the symbolic meaning connected with the Jewels, Furniture, and Working Tools, and their meanings as applied to every-day living. I also urged the need of a guarded walk, and guarded conversation, explaining that as Masons they were in the show-window of Masonry, and that men were attracted to, or repelled from Masonry by what they saw, and heard from Masons, around them.

The District Meeting of the Tenth Masonic District was held in the new Legion Hall at Pine Falls on 30th September 1953. The meeting was quite successful, all Lodges but two being represented. The meeting opened at 3.00 p.m. The afternoon session was taken up by a demonstration of Lodge Room etiquette. R.W. Bro. Rothstein demonstrated, the proper way to travel within the Lodge Room, and also the proper manner of carrying the Wands. He answered many questions as to proper usages and deportment. R.W. Bro. Gray, D.G.M., gave the proper wording of the Penalties for the information of all, and also advised the procedure to be followed in the course of the examination of a visitor. The balance of the afternoon session was taken up by the reading of the Secretaries' reports by the District Secretary. Reports were received from every Lodge in the District, and they gave a good picture of Lodge activities in the District.

At 5 p.m. the brethren were entertained at Luncheon as guests of the Pine Falls Lodge.

The evening session was opened at 8 p.m., when we were happy to welcome, in Form, yourself, Most Worshipful Sir, and the Grand Lodge Officers of your suite, including W.M. Bro. Blythe I.P.G.M.; R.W. Bro. Gray, D.G.M., R.W. Bro. Thos. Jackson, Grand Secretary, and R.W. Bro. Rothstein, Grand Director of Ceremonies.

A very pleasant event of the evening session was the presentation of the Past D.D.G.M. regalia to R.W. Bro. Dr. White I.P.D.D.G.M. of the Tenth Masonic District. This presentation was made by M.W. Bro. Blythe in a very pleasing manner.

The high light of the evening session was the address by the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, which was delivered in his usual able manner. It opened some new avenues of thought which are still fresh in the minds of many who were fortunate enought to hear it. After thanks were extended to the M.W. the Grand Master, the meeting closed at 10.10 p.m.

At the District Meeting the names of two brethren, i.e. W. Bro. Hutson of Stonewall Lodge No. 12, and W. Bro. J. Longbottom of Ophir Lodge No.112, were presented to the brethren for election to the Office of D.D.G.M. for the year 1953/54. W. Bro. J. Longbottom obtained a majority, and R.W. Bro. Wm. Bird declared him elected subject to the approval of the Grand Master.

In affectionate regard and sacred memory the Lodges of the Tenth Masonic District report that twenty of our brethren have laid down their tools of labour at the call of the Master Builder, and have answered that summons that must surely come. These, with Masonic faith in the Eternal Realities of a Munificent God, we leave then to His care.

The practise of the noble quality Charity is very evident throughout the District, and it is developing true Masonic character in the membership. From a close observance of Masonic activities, I am confident that Masonry continues on the upward trend in this District. Fraternal visits between Lodges in the District are numerous, and are productive of much benefit, while friendship, kindness, and brotherly love are evident at every meeting. In short, Masonry in this District is justly fulfilling its mission.

In conclusion, I would like to take this opportunity of thanking the Members of my own Lodge, Pine Falls, for their generous support which they so willingly accorded to me during my term of office. I would also extend my thanks to the Masters, and Past Masters, and Members of the Lodges in the District who accompanied me on my visits. I am especially indebted to W. Bro. J. O. Jones, District Secretary, for the able and willing manner in which he carried out his duties, and who accompanied me on my Official Visits. I am also deeply grateful to R.W. Bro. W. E. White. P.D.D.G.M. for his company, and advice in the performance of my duties,

Finally, I am deeply grateful to the brethren of the Tenth Masonic District for electing me their D.D.G.M., and to you Sir for confirming me in the Office. I hope that in my efforts to fulfill my duties, I may have been of some assistance, and benefit to the brethren that I have been able to contact. While conscious of the limits of my own abilities, I still sincerely trust that my efforts have merited the confidence that was placed in me.

Fraternally, and sincerely submitted,

WILLIAM BIRD,
D.D.G.M. Tenth Masonic District.

TWELFTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

It is a pleasure to submit the report of my activities as your representative in the Twelfth Masonic District for the year 1952-1953.

In all the Lodges I have been received with the utmost courtesy and respect. In return I have sought to pass on to them some portion at least of the idealsim and inspiration I have derived from my association with yourself and the other Officers and members of Grand Lodge. This association, I may add, has widened my own knowledge of Masonic principles. It has deepened, too, my appreciation of the great work being accomplished, under your direction, by Grand Lodge.

The condition of all the Lodges in the District is most encouraging, in my opinion, and I am well satisfied with the results of the year's work. The senior Officers are competent and conscientious; they understand their duties and carry them out with great credit to themselves. The enthusiasm and fidelity of the Junior Officers provide assurance that a high standard of Lodge activity will be maintained for years to come.

The rate at which candidates are being initiated is somewhat less than it has been in recent years, but this situation gives no cause for concern. What is more important, I believe, is that the Lodges seem to be using every care in the selection of new members. The quality of the petitioners who are accepted is entirely satisfactory and this reflects credit on the judgment of the various Committees of Inquiry. A sincere desire to instil in the candidates adequate knowledge of Masonic ideals is to be noted, and the results, as far as may be judged, indicate that good progress is being made in this preliminary education. That may be one reason why new members constitute a fairly large proportion of our attendants at an average meeting.

The subject of attendance continues to give food for thought to the District Officers and the leaders of the several Lodges. It is difficult to determine whether or not the situation is better than it has been in other years because statistics, valuable though they may be, do not tell the whole story. One of the problems we have had to face for many years arises out of the competition between our Lodges on the one hand, and what may be termed very useful and desirable community enterprises—religious, civic, social and athletic—on the other. Freemasonry attracts naturally many men who have wide human interests and who are endowed with faculties of leadership. The response of these Freemasons to the calls for community service are so many and varied that they may not be able to do their duty by attending Lodge meetings. Insofar as this factor tends to reduce our average statistics, it should be a matter of pride with us rather than regret.

Two outstanding events during the year were the Annual District Meeting in January, and the District Church service at Grace Church, Winnipeg, on May 10th. As you are aware, Most Worshipful Sir, the District Meeting attracted a large attendance, and the brethren appeared to find the programme interesting. The highlight of the evening, we all believed, was your own address. The lofty plane on which you dealt with your subject, and the sincerity with which you expressed yourself, made a deep impression on all who heard you. Another item which gave keen satisfaction was a summary prepared by the District Secretary, W.Bro. J. Emerson, of the reports submitted by the Lodges covering their achievements during 1952. In other years these reports had been read in full by the various Masters, and there was much repetition which could have been avoided.

The large number of brethren who accompanied me to the Church service heard an inspiring and eloquent sermon by Brother W. G. Martin, the Minister. The musical portion of the service was also appreciated thoroughly.

For a variety of reasons the Ladies' Night, a function which had become well established in the District during previous years, was cancelled.

Presumably the high cost of modern entertainment and the multitude of other social festivities were responsible for the decline in interest on the part of our members.

Reports received by me indicate that the finances of the Lodges present no serious problems. It is true that the initiation fees still form a fairly large part of the total revenues, and that a "profit" of a sort is provided through the annual dues of the many members who do not attend. The practice of creating substantial reserves to meet possible emergencies is not followed generally, and unless there is a definite objective in sight the average Lodge is content to operate on the basis of a small surplus.

One might suggest that it would be wise to build up in each Lodge a special fund to take care of its needs for accommodation in the future.

The example of Windsor Lodge, No. 138, in St. Vital, is a case in point. This Lodge set about to establish permanent quarter many years ago, and its property, now valued at more than $60,000, is a monument to the spirit of thrift and enterprise displayed by the members. Other Lodges in the District have been content to carry on with reserves of modest—perhaps too modest—proportions, and they may suffer serious inconvenience when they are called upon to provide new and adequate accommodation for themselves.

The facilities of the Masonic Temple on Donald Street seem to meet the demands of the Lodges for the present, but they are not adequate for the needs of the future. The pressure for the creation of new Lodges in Winnipeg is increasing, and new or improved quarters must be provided soon. It would be most unfortunate if the desire for expansion and addition should be balked by a refusal to face the facts in the matter of accommodation. Growth is essential to Freemasonry, especially in this jurisdiction, and any condition which interferes with it is to be deplored. It may be that indifference, or lack of enterprise, has retarded the spread of our principles, and our influence, in Winnipeg.

You may be sure, Most Worshipful Sir, that the current movement on the part of the Board of General Purposes, looking to the solution of the building problem, is being followed with sympathetic interest by the Brethren of our District. The inspiration and guidance which Grand Lodges has furnished down through the years will, we trust, bring us definite and satisfactory results in the matter of proper accommodation. My view is that an appeal for financial support for a well-planned scheme would meet with a warm response on the part of our membership.

My hearty thanks are due to the brethren of the Twelfth Masonic District for their kindness in electing me as your Representative, and to yourself, Most Worshipful Grand Master, for your gracious confirmation of their action. Permit me also to express my gratitude for the privilege of serving as a member of the Board of General Purposes for the year. The proceedings of the Board, and the wide range of its operations, have given me a new insight into the activities of Grand Lodge.

Fraternally submitted.

F. M. BASTIN,
D.D.G.M. Twelfth Masonic District.

In Memoriam

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DEDICATED
TO
THE DISTINGUISHED DEAD OF
SISTER
GRAND LODGES
1952

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

Howard Melville Spearin

Corinthian Lodge No. 15
District Deputy Grand Master, 1949

DIED

January 13th, 1952

Charles Redpath

Glenwood Lodge No. 27
District Deputy Grand Master, 1925

DIED

July 8th, 1952

Herbert Alexander Adair

Treherne Lodge No. 51
District Deputy Grand Master, 1946

DIED

March 5th, 1952

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

Herbert L. Rixon

Holland Lodge No. 63
Grand Pursuivant, 1905
District Deputy Grand Master, 1914

DIED
February 19th, 1952

Roland Henderson Brotherhood

Elkhorn Lodge No. 74
District Deputy Grand Master, 1916

DIED
August 14th, 1952

J. Russell Fraser

King Edward Lodge No. 93
Junior Grand Steward, 1935

DIED
August 11th, 1952

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY

OF

Clarence Edwin Titus

St. Andrew's Lodge No. 116

District Deputy Grand Master, 1926

DIED

March 16th, 1952

Charles Gordon McLeod

The Pas Lodge No. 124

Honorary District Deputy Grand Master, 1945

DIED

March 16th, 1952

Andrew Huddlestone

Lord Selkirk Lodge No. 137

Junior Grand Deacon, 1947

DIED

November 19th, 1952

IN MEMORY

OF THE BELOVED BRETHREN WHO ARE

At Rest

Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Wooliams, W. H.	Jan. 21, 1952	Prince Rupert's	1
Boyd, W. M.	July 31, 1952	Prince Rupert's	1
Cumming, J. R.	Aug. 18, 1952	Prince Rupert's	1
Hargreaves, E. J.	Sep. 23, 1952	Prince Rupert's	1
Webb, J. T.	Oct. 3, 1952	Prince Rupert's	1
Topper, F. E.	Oct. 16, 1952	Prince Rupert's	1
Bracken, R. H.	Oct. 21, 1952	Prince Rupert's	1
McGirr, T. S.	Dec. 27, 1952	Prince Rupert's	1
Gibbs, W. H. G.	Apr. 26, 1952	Lisgar	2
Eglin, L.	June 18, 1952	Lisgar	2
Brereton, L.	July 7, 1952	Lisgar	2
Epstein, W.	Nov. 3, 1952	Lisgar	2
Ross, J. D.	Jan. 29, 1952	Ancient Landmark	3
MacGregor, W. M.	May 24, 1952	Ancient Landmark	3
Scott, C. M.	June 9, 1952	Ancient Landmark	3
Albert, J. H.	July 11, 1952	Ancient Landmark	3
Powell, W. B.	Aug. 12, 1952	Ancient Landmark	3
Whidden, C. G.	Nov. 12, 1952	Ancient Landmark	3
Snell, H.	Dec. 3, 1952	Ancient Landmark	3
Hall, W. H.	Dec. 24, 1952	Ancient Landmark	3
Low, H. R.	Feb. 13, 1952	St. John's	4
Drury, George	Feb. 19, 1952	St. John's	4
Reeves, S.	Mar. 2, 1952	St. John's	4
Richards, G. F.	Mar. 10, 1952	St. John's	4
Hope, Alexander	Apr. 28, 1952	St. John's	4
Bleakney, E. S.	May 28, 1952	St. John's	4
Stannard, L. L. B.	June 14, 1952	St. John's	4
Fuller, A. H. E.	June 21, 1952	St. John's	4
McAuley, A. J.	July 30, 1952	St. John's	4
Andrews, A. R.	Aug. 17, 1952	St. John's	4
Taylor, A. R.	Oct. 16, 1952	St. John's	4
Smith, A.	Oct. 25, 1952	St. John's	4
Buckley, J. H.	Nov. 26, 1952	St. John's	4
Shore, R. J.	Dec. 5, 1952	St. John's	4
St. Lawrence, H.	Dec. 9, 1952	St. John's	4
English, H. A.	Dec. 20, 1952	St. John's	4
Nozick, J.	Dec. 27, 1952	St. John's	4
Hicks, S.	Jan. 13, 1952	Assiniboine	7
Miller, S. H.	Feb. 9, 1952	Assiniboine	7
Jones, G. H.	Mar. 7, 1952	Assiniboine	7
Armstrong, G. P.	May 5, 1952	Assiniboine	7

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Savage, W. H. R.	May 19, 1952	Assiniboine	7
Olsen, L.	May 30, 1952	Assiniboine	7
Light, J. O.	Nov. 12, 1952	Assiniboine	7
Cowie, R. S.	Nov. 28, 1952	Assiniboine	7
McRae, G. S.	Dec. 16, 1952	Assiniboine	7
Smith, J. S.	Dec. 13, 1952	King Solomon	8
Milbach, J.	Mar. 14, 1952	Northern Light	10
Creen, N.	Apr. 20, 1952	Northern Light	10
Booth, H. A.	June 20, 1952	Northern Light	10
Gorham, W.	June 24, 1952	Northern Light	10
Rogers, F. S.	July 18, 1952	Northern Light	10
Rankin, A. M.	Aug. 16, 1952	Northern Light	10
Kerby, J. P.	Sep. 23, 1952	Northern Light	10
McMillan, G.	Oct. 5, 1952	Northern Light	10
Marlow, H. T.	Nov. 14, 1952	Northern Light	10
Kiefhauber, W. C.	Apr. 18, 1952	Gladstone	11
Arundel, H. A.	Jan. 21, 1952	Stonewall	12
Clendenning, H. V.	Jan. 18, 1952	Stonewall	12
Harley, R. C.	May 10, 1952	Stonewall	12
Good, J. W.	May 23, 1952	Stonewall	12
Chatfield, C. R.	June 23, 1952	Stonewall	12
Whidden, C. G.	Nov. 11, 1952	Stonewall	12
Beaudry, J. A.	May 4, 1952	Morden	13
Wolstenholme, T.	Nov. 16, 1952	Prince of Wales	14
Lacey, W. G.	Feb. 18, 1952	Brandon	19
Orchard, W. H.	May 12, 1952	Brandon	19
Willoughby, R. L.	Nov. 15, 1952	Brandon	19
Adams, W. L.	Feb. 24, 1952	Neepawa	24
Howden, W. A.	Apr. 27, 1952	Neepawa	24
Mathews, W. H.	July 20, 1952	Neepawa	24
MacDonald, G. H.	Dec. 7, 1952	Neepawa	24
Adams, J.	Dec. 11, 1952	Neepawa	24
Scott, V. L.	Mar. 29, 1952	Ionic	25
Kelly, J. J.	Apr. 2, 1952	Ionic	25
Winram, A. R.	July 18, 1952	Ionic	25
Fursman, P.	Aug. 15, 1952	Ionic	25
Millar, J.	Oct. 9, 1952	Ionic	25
Colpitts	Nov. 24, 1952	Ionic	25
Leitch, G.	Jan. 15, 1952	Glenwood	27
Breakey, J. W.	Feb. 28, 1952	Glenwood	27
Smith, T. N.	Apr. 19, 1952	Glenwood	27

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
McLelland, G.	Nov. 3, 1952	Glenwood	27
Bridle, J.	Nov. 19, 1952	Glenwood	27
Woods, J. W.	Dec. 2, 1952	Glenwood	27
McDonald, S. M.	Mar. 31, 1952	Carberry	29
Blenhaven, T.	Feb. 4, 1952	Doric	36
Blanchard, J. H.	Oct. 3, 1952	Doric	36
Lawrence, T.	May 28, 1952	Deloraine	40
Diggle, F. W.	Aug. 12, 1952	Deloraine	40
Livingstone, D. L.	Sep. 1952	Deloraine	40
Sills, G. E.	Feb. 24, 1952	Lebanon	43
Bell, Wm.	Jan. 6, 1952	Oak Lake	44
Barr, A.	Sep. 1, 1952	Glenboro	48
Hobbs, T. A.	Dec. 2, 1952	Glenboro	48
Sims, F.	June 3, 1952	Temple	49
Heming, C. O.	Oct. 31, 1952	Temple	49
McKenzie, A.	Aug. 26, 1952	Killarney	50
McEachern, R. W.	Oct. 10, 1952	Killarney	50
Dempsey, W. M.	Oct. 12, 1952	Killarney	50
Ellis, G. H.	Nov. 23, 1952	Killarney	50
Box, A. G.	Sep. 1952	Treherne	51
Johannason, O.	June 7, 1952	Hartney	52
White, T. H.	July 19, 1952	Hartney	52
Roumey, S. M.	Dec. 29, 1952	Hartney	52
Campbell, E. A.	Jan. 18, 1952	Oriental	54
Kenner, W. S.	Mar. 19, 1952	Oriental	54
Arnold, L. S.	Apr. 4, 1952	Oriental	54
Rosner, S.		East Star	55
Jackson, G. H.	Jan. 12, 1952	Russell	62
Ratcliffe, T. J.	Feb. 25, 1952	Russell	62
Smith, A.	Mar. 8, 1952	Russell	62
Astbury	Nov. 25, 1952	Russell	62
Sturton, H.	Feb. 13, 1952	Holland	63
Thompson, J.	Sep. 19, 1952	Holland	63
Abbott, W.	Nov. 1, 1952	Holland	63
Rabe, Albert	May 19, 1952	Composite	64
Nichol, D. A.	Oct. 29, 1952	Composite	64
Hughes, J.	Mar. 1952	Vermillion	68
McEwan, F.	Dec. 14, 1952	Vermillion	68
Sotham, W. H.	May 21, 1952	Shiloh	70
Glover, R. C.	Dec. 12, 1952	Shiloh	70
Ronnie, C. F.	Mar. 15, 1952	Elkhorn	74

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Ward, W. H.	Apr. 22, 1948	Elkhorn	74
Baskier, W. R.	Nov. 11, 1952	Napinka	77
Campbell, R.	Feb. 9, 1952	Cypress	82
Cole, G.	Dec. 12, 1952	Cypress	82
Havard, A.	Mar. 30, 1952	Midlothian	90
McLean, J. H.	Apr. 9, 1952	Shoal Lake	92
Telford, N. H.	Nov. 11, 1952	Shoal Lake	92
Brough, E.	Mar. 7, 1952	King Edward	93
Cassap, J. P.	Apr. 19, 1952	King Edward	93
Fogg, T. F.	Aug. 4, 1952	King Edward	93
Harrison, G. A.	Sep. 22, 1952	King Edward	93
Wilson, A.	Dec. 2, 1952	King Edward	93
Kinnaird, J.	Dec. 26, 1952	King Edward	93
Swain, W. J.	Aug. 11, 1952	Hiram	94
Patterson, A. W.	Oct. 19, 1952	Hiram	94
Dawson, W.	Nov. 24, 1952	Hiram	94
McEwan, F. H.	Dec. 14, 1952	Hiram	94
Turnbull, O. C.	Nov. 13, 1952	Binscarth	101
Clark, F.	Dec. 10, 1952	Miniota	102
Brody, F. H.	Feb. 29, 1952	Reston	104
Brownlee, D. J.	May 22, 1952	Reston	104
Hunter, H. A.	May 29, 1952	Reston	104
Robertson, J. W.	Nov. 23, 1952	Reston	104
Shoult, W.	Dec. 7, 1952	Reston	104
Price, J.	July 18, 1952	Prince Arthur	105
Livesy, W. B.	Nov. 27, 1952	Lansdowne	107
Mitchell, H. E.	Aug. 6, 1952	Union	108
Campbell, J. R.	June 3, 1952	Kilwinning	110
Ritch, H. S.	Feb. 18, 1952	Acacia	111
Alexander, W.	Sep. 18, 1952	Acacia	111
Goll, G. J.	Nov. 24, 1952	Acacia	111
Rae, W.	Dec. 25, 1952	Acacia	111
McDiarmid, H. O.	Jan. 4, 1952	Tweed	113
Webber, W. B.	Jan. 21, 1952	Tweed	113
Hesketh, H. J.	Mar. 3, 1952	Tweed	113
Lunt, R.	June 18, 1952	Tweed	113
Moir, Wm.	Feb. 4, 1952	"The Assiniboine"	114
Campbell, S. W.	Feb. 13, 1952	"The Assiniboine"	114
Wallace, W. M.	Feb. 14, 1952	"The Assiniboine"	114
Glenesk, E. J. J.	Feb. 28, 1952	"The Assiniboine"	114
Mullins, H. A.	Apr. 18, 1952	"The Assiniboine"	114

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Tooley, H.	May 24, 1952	"The Assiniboine"	114
Cuddy, T. H.	May 29, 1952	"The Assiniboine"	114
Downey, G. W.	May 29, 1952	"The Assiniboine"	114
Johnston, W. B.	Aug. 21, 1952	"The Assiniboine"	114
Hayles, C. E.	Sep. 3, 1952	"The Assiniboine"	114
Martin, J.	Oct. 5, 1952	"The Assiniboine"	114
Evans, F. R.	Oct. 24, 1952	"The Assiniboine"	114
Cubbidge, A. E.	Oct. 29, 1952	"The Assiniboine"	114
Mooney, F. J.	Dec. 27, 1952	"The Assiniboine"	114
MacFarlane, D. G.	Dec. 11, 1952	Strathcona	117
Hemingway, H. H.	May 14, 1952	Norwood	119
Munro, J. A.	May 26, 1952	Norwood	119
Green, R. H.	Oct. 22, 1952	Norwood	119
Dillabough, J. V.	Nov. 25, 1952	Norwood	119
MacGregor, J. A.	Mar. 21, 1952	St. James	121
Cudmore, R. P.	May 13, 1952	St. James	121
MacPherson, F. A.	Nov. 20, 1950	St. James	121
Beech, J. W.	Dec. 1, 1952	St. James	121
Nunn, A. J.	Dec. 17, 1952	St. James	121
Argent, T. C.	Feb. 4, 1952	Roblin	122
Abbott, W.	Nov. 1, 1952	Roblin	122
McClacharty, T. J.	Nov. 28, 1952	Roblin	122
Foster, W.	Nov. 13, 1952	Transcona	123
Needham, F.	Oct. 28, 1952	The Pas	124
Cole, L.	Dec. 19, 1952	The Pas	124
Dickson, I. G.	Jan. 12, 1952	Patricia	125
Watson, W. C.	Nov. 29, 1952	Favel	126
Kinniburgh, H. C.	Dec. 24, 1951	Empire	127
Pascoe, B. H.	Mar. 16, 1952	Empire	127
Slidders, D. C.	May 30, 1952	Empire	127
Buchan, J.	Sep. 13, 1952	Empire	127
McIntosh, A. D.	Oct. 3, 1952	Empire	127
Goodman, C. H.	Dec. 31, 1952	Victory	128
Whitlock, W.	Jan. 22, 1952	Fort Garry	130
Price, J.	Apr. 16, 1952	Fort Garry	130
Tooley, H.	May 24, 1952	Fort Garry	130
Adams, W. J.	May 9, 1952	Fort Garry	130
Engill, H.	Jan. 7, 1952	Kildonan	131
Forbes, D. M.	June 19, 1952	Kildonan	131
Everall, E. S.	Oct. 12, 1952	McCreary	133
Stocks, J.	Apr. 20, 1952	Capitol	136

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Elwood, R.	Aug. 1952	Capitol	136
Jonasson, S. O.	Sep. 1952	Capitol	136
Stewart, J.	Feb. 7, 1952	Lord Selkirk	137
Kelley, W. H.	Mar. 26, 1952	Lord Selkirk	137
Rose, E. N.	Oct. 16, 1952	Lord Selkirk	137
Charles, H.	Mar. 23, 1952	Windsor	138
Taylor, R. E.	Oct. 18, 1952	Windsor	138
Rowe, J. H.	Feb. 23, 1952	Beaver	139
Lowe, R. F.	Sep. 15, 1952	Beaver	139
Pagan, A.	Oct. 14, 1952	Beaver	139
Hill, C. A.	Jan. 21, 1952	Meridian	140
Smart, F. D.	Jan. 21, 1952	Meridian	140
Bertram, F. W.	May 2, 1952	Meridian	140
Rooney, S. J.	May 7, 1952	Meridian	140
Clubb, W.	Mar. 6, 1952	Tuscan	141
Crossley, T.	July 20, 1952	Tuscan	141
Cohen, S.	May 1952	Mt. Sinai	143
Wilkie, J. W.	Jan. 18, 1952	Fort Osborne	144
Grant, W. R. C.	Mar. 31, 1952	Fort Osborne	144
Black, A. F.	May 17, 1952	Sturgeon Creek	145
Stewart, F. G.	Dec. 9, 1952	Sturgeon Creek	145
Brown, N. A.	May 10, 1952	Jubilee	147
Walker, R. J.	July 31, 1952	Jubilee	147
Alexander, J.	May 10, 1952	Seven Oaks	148
Collicutt, A.	May 24, 1952	Seven Oaks	148
Dickson, J.	June 21, 1952	Seven Oaks	148
Topping, J.	June 26, 1952	Seven Oaks	148
McLellan, A. W.	July 21, 1952	Seven Oaks	148
Heyland, A. T.	July 30, 1952	Flin Flon	153
Thibedeau, J.	Aug. 26, 1952	Pine Falls	154
Clark, H.	Oct. 18, 1952	Pine Falls	154
Wrixon, B.	July 1, 1952	Carman	155
Allardyce, J. A.	Feb. 23, 1952	Rice Lake	157
Clark, H.	Oct. 18, 1952	Rice Lake	157
Andrews, A. R.	Aug. 17, 1952	Fort Prince of Wales	161
Dillabough, J. V.	Nov. 25, 1952	Ashlar	162
Johnston, W. B.	Aug. 21, 1952	Friendship	U.D.

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Forrest, E. A.	Dec. 16, 1952	Prince Rupert's	1
Onhauser, V. F.	Nov. 17, 1952	Ancient Landmark	3
Bourke, J. P.	Dec. 15, 1952	Ancient Landmark	3
Money, R.	Dec. 15, 1952	Ancient Landmark	3
Gardner, J.	Jan. 2, 1952	St. John's	4
McAuley, A. R.	Jan. 2, 1952	St. John's	4
Moore, R. M.	May 7, 1952	St. John's	4
Berringer, T. L.	Sep. 3, 1952	St. John's	4
Savage, W. D.	Dec. 3, 1952	St. John's	4
Osborne, A. E. C.	Dec. 3, 1952	St. John's	4
Bain, J. A.	Mar. 20, 1952	Emerson	6
Hadland, R. W.	Jan. 21, 1952	Assiniboine	7
Hamlin, G. H.	Jan. 21, 1952	Assiniboine	7
Jones, J. G.	Jan. 21, 1952	Assiniboine	7
Andrews, K. H.	Nov. 18, 1952	Assiniboine	7
Hagarty, R. H.	Dec. 16, 1952	Assiniboine	7
Manley, C. C.	Dec. 16, 1952	Assiniboine	7
McMillan, C. D.	Dec. 16, 1952	Assiniboine	7
Lloyd, F. L.	Feb. 21, 1952	Northern Light	10
Foulds, W. F.	Dec. 18, 1952	Northern Light	10
Stout, J. B.	Dec. 31, 1952	Northern Light	10
Neilson, C. A.	Dec. 8, 1952	Gladstone	11
Stratton, A. K.	Oct. 2, 1952	Stonewall	12
Thorkelson, K. B.	Dec. 20, 1951	Morden	13
Riddell, L. R. H.	Jan. 10, 1952	Prince of Wales	14
Weekes, T. B.	Dec. 11, 1952	Prince of Wales	14
Taylor, S. W.	Sep. 2, 1952	Corinthian	15
Logan, R.	Sep. 9, 1952	Brandon	19
Clark, H. S. W.	Nov. 11, 1952	Brandon	19
Murdoch, J. G.	Nov. 11, 1952	Brandon	19
Williamson, N. H.	Dec. 9, 1952	Brandon	19
Gilbert, C. P.	Jan. 8, 1952	Neepawa	24
Holland, D. J.	Jan. 7, 1952	Ionic	25
MacPherson, J. C.	Jan. 7, 1952	Ionic	25
Douglas, D. A.	Dec. 1, 1952	Ionic	25
Hamilton, G. F.	Dec. 1, 1952	Ionic	25
White, H. G.	Mar. 28, 1952	Glenwood	27
Baldwin, I. S.	Sep. 30, 1952	Carberry	29
Howe, W. J.	Sep. 8, 1952	Manitou	30
Shields, W. A.	Dec. 31, 1952	Manitou	30
Tudor, A. F. C.	Dec. 6, 1952	Deloraine	40
Smith, R. V.	Jan. 1, 1952	Lebanon	43
Stedman, J. C.	Oct. 7, 1952	Lebanon	43
Slimmon, J. G.	Dec. 9, 1952	Oak Lake	44
Beech, G. M.	Mar. 24, 1952	Glenboro	48
Fitzsimmons, R.	Dec. 16, 1952	Temple	49
Oliphant, W.	Nov. 25, 1952	Oriental	54
Scheel, H. M.	Dec. 23, 1952	Oriental	54
Wilcox, A. W.	Dec. 23, 1952	Oriental	54
Forsyth, J. E.	Nov. 18, 1952	Russell	62
Render, M. E.	Nov. 18, 1952	Russell	62
Crawford, C. J.	Dec. 9, 1952	Russell	62

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Sayer, E.	Dec. 10, 1952	Holland	63
Self, W.	Dec. 1952	Vermillion	68
Forsythe, K.	Jan. 19, 1952	Shiloh	70
Roger, A.	June 9, 1952	Elkhorn	74
Griffiths, S. J. W.	Oct. 13, 1952	Elkhorn	74
Butcher, J. W.	Oct. 13, 1952	Elkhorn	74
Jackson, R.	July 9, 1952	Gothic	75
Waring, E.	July 9, 1952	Gothic	75
Hall, F. J.	Nov. 12, 1952	Gothic	75
Foster, G. F.	Oct. 12, 1952	Napinka	77
Moffat, J. A.	Oct. 2, 1952	Napinka	77
Burnett, W. A.	Dec. 4, 1952	Napinka	77
Ford, P. H.	Dec. 4, 1952	Napinka	77
Paul, A. F.	June 23, 1952	Cypress	82
Coutts, L. J.	Oct. 27, 1952	Cypress	82
Ward, J. A.	Dec. 22, 1952	Cypress	82
Aldred, A. H.	Dec. 23, 1952	Hamiota	84
Cheales, A. B.	Dec. 2, 1952	Rathwell	87
Thompson, W.	Feb. 4, 1952	Midlothian	90
Fraser, A. D.	Mar. 19, 1952	King Edward	93
Kinsman, W. C.	Sep. 17, 1952	King Edward	93
Tucker, C. L.	Dec. 17, 1952	King Edward	93
Brown, E. P.	Dec. 18, 1952	Hiram	94
Poole, T. B.	Dec. 14, 1952	Robbie Burns	100
Diamond, F.	Jan. 21, 1952	Binscarth	101
Argo, L. D.	Oct. 29, 1952	Binscarth	101
Davidson, E.	Oct. 29, 1952	Binscarth	101
Murdock, M.	Oct. 29, 1952	Binscarth	101
Markle, H.	Oct. 29, 1952	Binscarth	101
Roberts, F. J.	Oct. 29, 1952	Binscarth	101
Brownstone, S.	June 4, 1952	Crescent	103
Wilson, G. R.	Feb. 14, 1952	Reston	104
Thompson, W. M.	Dec. 11, 1952	Reston	104
Scotten, E.	Mar. 10, 1952	Prince Arthur	105
Zwicker, W. G.	Dec. 31, 1952	Prince Arthur	105
Cowing, H.	Nov. 26, 1952	Lansdowne	107
Jones, A. B.	Dec. 17, 1952	Lansdowne	107
Michie, J. F.	Dec. 17, 1952	Lansdowne	107
Mitchell, L. H.	Dec. 4, 1952	Union	108
Drake, W. G.	Jan. 9, 1952	Kilwinning	110
McCulley, J. T.	Jan. 9, 1952	Kilwinning	110
Beautridge, W. J.	Nov. 12, 1952	Acacia	111
Mitchell, D. J.	Dec. 10, 1952	Acacia	111
Dugard, F. W.	Dec. 15, 1952	Ophir	112
Smith, G. J.	Dec. 15, 1952	Ophir	112
Addison, J.	Sep. 16, 1952	Tweed	113
Gibson, H.	Nov. 18, 1952	Tweed	113
Bowes, W. E.	Dec. 16, 1952	Tweed	113
Hilton, G. B.	Dec. 16, 1952	Tweed	113
Pritchard, R.	Dec. 16, 1952	Tweed	113
Jenkins, I. G.	Mar. 4, 1952	"The Assiniboine"	114
Young, G. C.	Apr. 1, 1952	"The Assiniboine"	114

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
MacRury, W. B. K.	Dec. 2, 1952	"The Assiniboine"	114
Beaton, W. S.	Mar. 31, 1952	Rivers	115
Whyte, J. M.	Dec. 29, 1952	Rivers	115
Thompson, W. H.	Oct. 17, 1952	Strathcona	117
Hetherington, J. D.	Jan. 24, 1952	Mound	118
Craig, H. A.	Feb. 28, 1952	Mound	118
Myrvold, A. H.	Dec. 13, 1951	Norwood	119
Guthrie, R.	Nov. 13, 1952	Norwood	119
Kent, C. E.	Nov. 13, 1952	Norwood	119
McArthur, D. L.	Dec. 11, 1952	Norwood	119
Oake, W. H.	Dec. 11, 1952	Norwood	119
Chatterson, H. A.	May 14, 1952	St. James	121
Nichols, J. F.	Nov. 12, 1952	St. James	121
Anderson, R. T.	Dec. 8, 1952	Roblin	122
Jackson, H. E.	Feb. 1, 1952	Transcona	123
Bulmer, H. R.	Dec. 5, 1952	Transcona	123
Keyworth, F. W.	Dec. 5, 1952	Transcona	123
Armstrong, T. S.	Sep. 4, 1952	The Pas	124
Cruikshank, J. W.	Nov. 5, 1952	Patricia	125
Godin, E. C.	Feb. 5, 1952	Favel	126
Lindsay, F.	Feb. 11, 1952	Empire	127
Spinks, J. H.	Nov. 20, 1952	Empire	127
Wright, W. J. L.	Nov. 20, 1952	Empire	127
Field, T. Jr.	Dec. 8, 1952	Empire	127
Hennessey, R. P.	Dec. 8, 1952	Empire	127
Petersen, P. L.	Dec. 8, 1952	Empire	127
Litchfield, W.	Dec. 8, 1952	Empire	127
McInnes, O. J.	Dec. 8, 1952	Empire	127
Garratt, F. J. S.	Apr. 9, 1952	Fort Garry	130
Bray, F. K.	Oct. 8, 1952	Fort Garry	130
Einfield, C.	Jan. 8, 1952	Kildonan	131
Van der Graaf, P.	Oct. 14, 1952	Kildonan	131
Reid, T. H.	Dec. 9, 1952	Kildonan	131
Welland, H. E.	Dec. 10, 1952	McCreary	133
Hollenburg, C.	Nov. 7, 1952	Capitol	136
Bruce, R. C.	Dec. 5, 1952	Capitol	136
Kennedy, L. J.	Dec. 5, 1952	Capitol	136
Schaller, L. J. R.	Dec. 5, 1952	Capitol	136
Wood, I. L.	Dec. 5, 1952	Capitol	136
Aldous, C. S.	Dec. 10, 1952	Lord Selkirk	137
Fryer, A.	Dec. 10, 1952	Lord Selkirk	137
Gordon, L.	Nov. 20, 1952	Meridian	140
Rankin, F. A.	Nov. 20, 1952	Meridian	140
Whyte, J. A.	Nov. 20, 1952	Meridian	140
Copper, C. W.	Dec. 18, 1952	Meridian	140
Stoddart, F.	Dec. 18, 1952	Meridian	140
Robson, R. W.	Dec. 31, 1952	Meridian	140
Patterson, F. D.	Nov. 14, 1952	Tuscan	141
Burton, H. D.	Dec. 12, 1952	Tuscan	141
Bjornson, S. E.	Oct. 16, 1952	Harmony	142
Rosenfield, V. L.	Apr. 24, 1952	Mount Sinai	143
McBeth, W. A.	Dec. 2, 1952	Fort Osborne	144

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Batchelor, T. J.	Jan. 17, 1952	Sturgeon Creek	145
McAlpine, L. A.	Jan. 17, 1952	Sturgeon Creek	145
Knisley, A. S.	Sep. 8, 1952	Sturgeon Creek	145
Redfern, J. S.	Dec. 1, 1952	Sturgeon Creek	145
Bateman, H. W.	Dec. 31, 1952	Fidelity	146
McKee, T.	Dec. 31, 1952	Fidelity	146
Pickering, H. D.	Dec. 31, 1952	Fidelity	146
Keena, E. G.	Dec. 9, 1952	Seven Oaks	148
Nicholson, D.	Dec. 31, 1952	Seven Oaks	148
Fee, A. B.	Nov. 18, 1952	Cartwright	150
Pearn, A. B.	Sep. 2, 1952	The Dormer	151
Cuthbertson, I.	Dec. 3, 1952	Foxwarren	152
Leavens, A.	Dec. 3, 1952	Foxwarren	152
Edwards, T. H.	Feb. 5, 1952	Flin Flon	153
Bragg, L. G.	Dec. 2, 1952	Flin Flon	153
Lougheed, E. H.	Dec. 12, 1952	Pine Falls	154
Leslie, J. A.	Jan. 17, 1952	Carman	155
MacDuff, E. J.	Jan. 17, 1952	Carman	155
Weaver, J. B.	Oct. 21, 1952	Carman	155
Smith, W. A. B.	Sep. 16, 1952	Manitouwapa	156
Rutherford, H. K.	Nov. 18, 1952	Manitouwapa	156
Smith, W. A. J.	Nov. 18, 1952	Manitouwapa	156
White, W. R.	Dec. 5, 1952	Rice Lake	157
Bottomley, J. R.	Jan. 25, 1952	Fenwick	158
Young, F. H.	Jan. 25, 1952	Fenwick	158
Bowie, J. M.	Mar. 28, 1952	Fenwick	158
Grant, J. J.	Apr. 25, 1952	Fenwick	158
Kraft, E. C.	Nov. 28, 1952	Fenwick	158
Logan, W. A.	Nov. 28, 1952	Fenwick	158
Mutch, R.	Jan. 3, 1952	Newdale	159
Campbell, W.	Dec. 2, 1952	Ashlar	162
Entwistle, G. W.	Dec. 2, 1952	Ashlar	162
Seymour, S. A.	Dec. 23, 1952	Harry Woods	164
Miles, G. E.	Dec. 11, 1952	Friendship	U.D.
Ritchie, C.	Dec. 11, 1952	Friendship	U.D.
Wilson, W.	Dec. 11, 1952	Friendship	U.D.

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When Elected	Grand Masters	Deputy Grand Masters	Senior Grand Wardens	Junior Grand Wardens	Grand Treasurers	Grand Secretaries	Grand Registrars	Grand Chaplains
1875	*Rev. W. C. Clarke	*Hon. W. N. Kennedy	*Jas. Henderson	*S. L. Bedson	*Col. Jno. Kennedy	*John H. Bell	*H. T. Champion	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1876	*Hon. W. N. Kennedy	*Jas. Henderson	*S. L. Bedson	*G. F. Newcomb	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*Jno. W. Harris	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1877	*G. F. Newcomb	*Jas. Henderson	*Jno. W. Harris	*E. G. Conklin	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*Col. Jno. Kennedy	*Rev. Canon S. P. Matheson
1878	*G. F. Newcomb	*Jno. W. Harris	*Simon Duffin	*F. T. Bradley	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*Col. Jno. Kennedy	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1879	*Rev. Canon S. P. Matheson	*Jno. W. Harris	*Simon Duffin	*R. McCraig	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*James Munroe	*Rev. James Flett
1880	*John H. Bell	*E. G. Conklin	*Hon. G. McMicken	*J. M. McGregor	†J. J. Johnston	*Wm. G. Scott	*D. G. Dick	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1881	*John H. Bell	*Wm. G. Scott	*D. B. Murray	*C. F. Forrest	†J. J. Johnston	*Jas. Henderson	*D. G. Dick	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1882	*John H. Bell	*Wm. G. Scott	*Alfred Pearson	*C. F. Forrest	†J. J. Johnston		*D. G. Dick	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1883	*John H. Bell	*D. B. Murray	*R. McCuaig	†John Smith	†J. J. Johnston	*Wm. G. Scott	*D. Young	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1884	*John H. Bell	*C. F. Forrest	*Rev. J. M. Wellwood	†N. J. Lindsay	†J. J. Johnston	*Wm. G. Scott	†Wm. Simpson	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1885	*C. F. Forrest	*Alfred Pearson	*Peter McGregor	†Thos. Colins	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*J. W. H. Wilson	*Rev. J. M. Wellwood
1886	*Alfred Pearson	*Peter McGregor	*J. W. H. Wilson	*J. K. Brydon	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*Wm. G. Bell	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1887	*Thomas Clark	†John A. Kerr	*James A. Ovas	*Wm. G. Bell	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*Jas. S. Greig	*Rev. Canon J.D O'Meara
1888	*Thomas Clark	*James A. Ovas	*Wm. G. Bell	*R. C. Brown	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	†Joseph Daniel	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1889	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara	*Wm. G. Bell	*Thos. L. Morton	†Thos. McPherson	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*James A. Payne	Rev. Arthur W. Goulding
1890	*James A. Ovas	*Wm. G. Bell	†Thos. McPherson	*Fred L. Newman	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*R. W. Woodroofe	Rev. Arthur W. Goulding
1891	*Wm. G. Bell	*J. W. H. Wilson	*Rich'd D. Foley	*John Leslie	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*James G. Dagg	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton

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When Elected	Grand Masters	Deputy Grand Masters	Senior Grand Wardens	Junior Grand Wardens	Grand Treasurers	Grand Secretaries	Grand Registrars	Grand Chaplains
1892	*J. W. H. Wilson	*D. J. Goggin	*F. G. Lewin	*Thos. Robinson	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*Wm. A. Windatt	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton
1893	*D. J. Goggin	*Thos. Robinson	*Thos. Tweed	*Corbet Locke	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*J. H. Munson	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton
1894	*Thomas Tweed	*Charles N. Bell	*Corbet Locke	*Hugh U. Bain	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	†Rev. A. W. F. Cooper	*Rev. C. B. Pitblado
1895	*Charles N. Bell	*Corbet Locke	*John Leslie	*Geo. B. Murphy	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*John Chambers	*Rev. C. B. Pitblado
1896	*Corbet Locke	*John Leslie	*Fred L. Newman	†F. T. English	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	†C. N. Mitchell	*Rev. J. W. Matheson
1897	*Thomas Robinson	*Geo. B. Murphy	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton	†Wm. Crawford	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*J. O. Smith	*Rev. A. Chisholm
1898	*Geo. B. Murphy	*H. J. Eberts	*R. S. Thornton	*Wm. A. Windatt	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*Edgar W. Rugg	†Rev. C. R. Littler
1899	*John Leslie	*R. S. Thornton	*W. A. Windatt	*S. B. Jamieson	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	†J. A. Sutherland	†Rev. J. W. Muirhead
1900	*R. S. Thornton	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton	*Wm. Fenwick	*R. Hill Myers	*John McKechnie	*James A. Ovas	*E. A. Braithwaite	*Rev. A. B. Baird
1901	*R. S. Thornton	*R. Hill Myers	*E. A. Braithwaite	*Rev. A. Chisholm	*John McKechnie	*James A. Ovas	*James M. Suttie	*Rev. A. B. Baird
1902	*R. Hill Myers	*E. A. Braithwaite	*Rev. A. Chisholm	*Geo. W. Baker	*John McKechnie	*James A. Ovas	†Geo. H. Webster	†Rev. Geo. H. Webb
1903	*E. A. Braithwaite	*Rev. A. Chisholm	*Wm. G. Scott	*H. H. Campkin	*John McKechnie	*James A. Ovas	*R. P. Crookshank	†Rev. Geo. H. Webb
1904	*Rev. A. Chisholm	*Wm. G. Scott	*H. H. Campkin	*James Scroggie	*John McKechnie	*James A. Ovas	†O. E. S. Whiteside	Rev. John Wells
1905	*Wm. G. Scott	*H. H. Campkin	*James Scroggie	*Henry J. Pugh	*John McKechnie	*James A. Ovas	*John R. Grant	†Rev. Geo. H. Hogbie
1906	*John McKechnie	*James Scroggie	*Henry J. Pugh	*James D. Baine	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*Arthur H. Smith	*Rev. Jas. L. Gordon
1907	*James Scroggie	*Henry J. Pugh	*James D. Baine	*John Wemyss	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*Robert Magness	*Rev. Jas. L. Gordon
1908	*Henry J. Pugh	*James D. Baine	*John Wemyss	*Wm. Chambers	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*A. N. Macpherson	Rev. Thos. Neville

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When Elected	Grand Masters	Deputy Grand Masters	Senior Grand Wardens	Junior Grand Wardens	Grand Treasurers	Grand Secretaries	Grand Registrars	Grand Chaplains
1909	*James D. Baine	*Geo. W. Baker	*John Wemyss	*Wm.Chambers	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*Joseph Greenfield	*Rev. Wm. Robertson
1910	*Geo. W. Baker	*John Wemyss	*Wm. Chambers	*Ed. M.Walker	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*Jas. E. Maynard	*Rev. Wm. Robertson
1911	*John Wemyss	*Wm. Chambers	*Ed. M. Walker	*Lynds S. Vaughan	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*R. W. A. Rolph	Rev. Frederick W. Goodeve
1912	*Wm. Chambers	*Ed. M. Walker	*Lynds S. Vaughan	*Henry E. Bletcher	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*John Colwell	Rev. Frederick W. Goodeve
1913	*Ed. M. Walker	*Lynds S. Vaughan	*Henry E. Bletcher	*Percy E. Kellett	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*Robert L. Ross	Rev. Sydney D. Thomas
1914	*Lynds S. Vaughan	*William Fenwick	*Henry E. Bletcher	*Percy E. Kellett	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*J. M. Robinson	*Rev. Peter E. Scott
1915	*William Fenwick	*Henry E. Bletcher	*Percy E. Kellett	Ed. T. Greenway	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*Jno. Macwhirter	*Rev. Thos. G. Bethell
1916	*Henry E. Bletcher	*Percy E. Kellett	Ed. T. Greenway	*Alex. McIntyre	*James G. Dagg	*James A. Ovas	C. F. Hasselfield	*Rev. James S. Miller
1917	*Percy E. Kellett	Ed. T. Greenway	*Alex. McIntyre	Albert J. Hatcher	*James G. Dagg	*James A. Ovas	*Jno. J Jackson	*Rev. Thos. G. Bethell
1918	Ed. T. Greenway	*Alex. McIntyre	Albert J. Hatcher	*Geo. N. Jackson	*James G. Dagg	*James A. Ovas		*Rev. Thos. G. Bethell
1919	*Alex. McIntyre	Albert J. Hatcher	*Geo. N. Jackson	*Rev. A. B. Baird	Wm. J. Major	*James A. Ovas		Rev. James W. Anderson
1920	Albert J. Hatcher	*Geo. N. Jackson	*Rev. A. B. Baird	Wm. J. Major	*Jabez Miller	*James A. Ovas		*Rev. Chas. E. Somerset
1921	*Geo. N. Jackson	*Rev. A. B. Baird	Wm. J. Major	Jas. S. MacEwing	*Jabez Miller	*James A. Ovas		*Rev. Chas. E. Somerset
1922	*Rev. A. B. Baird	Wm. J. Major	Jas. S. MacEwing	A. L. Crossin	*Jabez Miller	*James A. Ovas		*Rev. Chas. E. Somerset
1923	Wm. J. Major	Jas. S. MacEwing	Albert L. Crossin	*J. C. Walker Reid	*Jabez Miller	*James A. Ovas		†Rev. Wm. C. Cunningham
1924	Jas. S. MacEwing	Albert L. Crossin	*J. C. Walker Reid	*Jabez Miller	*James Mackie	*James A. Ovas		†Rev. Wm. C. Cunningham
1925	Albert L. Crossin	*J. C. Walker Reid	*Jabez Miller	*Murdo A. Whimster	*James Mackie	*James A. Ovas		*Rev. Andrew T. Norquay

OFFICERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA, ELECTED AT ITS FOUNDATION ON THE 12th OF MAY, 1875, AND ANNUALLY THEREAFTER—Continued.

When Elected	Grand Masters	Deputy Grand Masters	Senior Grand Wardens	Junior Grand Wardens	Grand Treasurers	Grand Secretaries	Grand Registrars	Grand Chaplains
1926	*J. C. Walker Reid	*Jabez Miller	*Murdo A. Whimster	William Douglas	*James Mackie	*James A. Ovas		*Rev. Andrew T. Norquay
1927	*Jabez Miller	*Murdo A. Whimster	William Douglas	*George Hunter	*James Mackie	*James A. Ovas		*Rev. George W. Findlay
1928	*Murdo A. Whimster	William Douglas	*George Hunter	Norman J. Black	*Wm. M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas		*Rev. George W. Findlay
1929	William Douglas	*George Hunter	Norman J. Black	David S. Woods	*Wm. M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas		*Rev. George W. Findlay
1930	*George Hunter	Norman J. Black	David S. Woods	*James Mackie	*Wm. M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas		Rev. G. A. Woodside
1931	Norman J. Black	David S. Woods	*James Mackie	*Henry L. Adolph	*Wm. M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas		Rev. G. A. Woodside
1932	David S. Woods	*James Mackie	*Henry L. Adolph	Royal Burritt	*Alex Burgess	*James A. Ovas		Rt. Rev. W. W. H. Thomas
1933	*James Mackie	*Henry L. Adolph	Royal Burritt	*Harry Woods	*Alex. Burgess	*James A. Ovas		Rt. Rev. W. W. H. Thomas
1934	*Henry L. Adolph	Royal Buritt	*Harry Woods	*John T. Boyd	*Alex. Burgess	*James A. Ovas		†Rev. George R. Calvert
1935	Royal Burritt	*Harry Woods	*John T. Boyd	Robert Hawkins	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		†Dean George R. Calvert
1936	*Harry Woods	*John T. Boyd	Robert Hawkins	W. D. Lawrence	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		Rev. Thomas Neville
1937	*John T. Boyd	Robert Hawkins	W. D. Lawrence	*J. J. Henderson	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		*Rev. Harry Sherstone
1938	Robert Hawkins	W. D. Lawrence	*J. J. Henderson	†Dean G. R. Calvert	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		*Rev. Harry Sherstone
1939	W. D. Lawrence	*J. J. Henderson	†Dean G. R. Calvert	S. H. Fahrni	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		*Rev. P. T. Pilkey
1940	*J. J. Henderson	†Dean G. R. Calvert	S. H. Fahrni	*Ben C. Parker	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		*Rev. P. T. Pilkey
1941	†Dean G. R. Calvert	S. H. Fahrni	*Ben. C. Parker	Sam Burland	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		*Rev. P. T. Pilkey
1942	S. H. Fahrni	*Ben. C. Parker	Sam Burland	*Dr. P. T. Pilkey	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		*Rev. J. L. McInnis

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When Elected	Grand Masters	Deputy Grand Masters	Senior Grand Wardens	Junior Grand Wardens	Grand Treasurers	Grand Secretaries	Grand Registrars	Grand Chaplains
1943	*Ben C. Parker	Sam Burland	*Dr. P. T. Pilkey	M. S. Donovan	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		*Rev. J. L. McInnis
1944	Sam. Burland	*Dr. P. T. Pilkey	M. S. Donovan	H. B. Donnelly	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		Rev. H. B. Wallace
1945	*Dr. P. T. Pilkey	M. S. Donovan	H. B. Donnelly	W. C. McDonald	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		Rev. H. B. Wallace
1946	M. S. Donovan	H. B. Donnelly	W. C. McDonald	Harry Coddington	*Alex. Burgess	*Dr. P. T. Pilkey		†Rev. E. A. Syms
1947	H. B. Donnelly	W. C. McDonald	Harry Coddington	Chas. E. Cole	*Alex. Burgess	*Dr. P. T. Pilkey		†Rev. E. A. Syms
1948	W. C. McDonald	Harry Coddington	Chas. E. Cole	*Hugh A. Innes	W. Percy White	*Dr. P. T. Pilkey		Rev. R. S. Montgomery
1949	Harry Coddington	Chas. E. Cole	*Hugh A. Innes	G. A. McMorran	W. Percy White	*Dr. P. T. Pilkey		Rev. R. S. Montgomery
1950	Chas. E. Cole	F. H. Blythe	G. A. McMorran	H. H. Gray	W. Percy White	Harry Coddington		Rev. Canon Fredk. Hughes
1951	F. H. Blythe	G. A. McMorran	H. H. Gray	J. R. C. Evans	W. Percy White	Harry Coddington		Rev. Canon Fredk. Hughes
1952	G. A. McMorran	H. H. Gray	J. R. C. Evans	R. E. Emmett	W. Percy White	T. C. Jackson		Rev. H. L. Newton
1953	H. H. Gray	J. R. C. Evans	R. E. Emmett	J. F. Irwin	W. Percy White	T. C. Jackson		Rev. H. L. Newton

*Dead †Removed from Jurisdiction

LODGE DIRECTORY

No.	Name of Lodge	P.O. Address	Master	Secretary	Time of Regular Meeting
1	Prince Rupert's	Winnipeg	A. J. Ryckman	W. K. Mulock	Third Tuesday
2	Lisgar	Selkirk	Barney Stephanson	D. Bain	Third Tuesday
A — 3	Ancient Landmark	Winnipeg	Wm. Little	W. F. Hutton	Third Monday
A — 4	St. John's	Winnipeg	P. C. Pratt	T. L. Dodsworth	First Wednesday
6	Emerson	Emerson	S. C. Verner	K. C. R. Coulter	Third Thursday
7	Assiniboine	Portage la Prairie	W. S. Allison	R. A. Price	Third Monday
8	King Solomon	Morris	D. R. Johnson	O. B. Cossitt	Second Tuesday
10	Northern Light	Winnipeg	G. C. Galbraith	Robt. Collier	Third Thursday
A — 11	Gladstone	Gladstone	F. R. Jarvis	Clement Wallis	Second Monday
12	Stonewall	Stonewall	J. C. Slater	M. R. Good	Second Thursday
13	Morden	Morden	Wm. L. Jessiman	Wm. Godfrey	Third Thursday
14	Prince of Wales	Minnedosa	Wm. A. Rykiss	E. Kitchingman	Second Thursday
15	Corinthian	Rapid City	G. R. Underhill	J. G. Shand	First Tuesday
19	Brandon	Brandon	H. W. Halverson	A. G. Warr	Second Tuesday
A — 24	Neepawa	Neepawa	C. L. Harvey	A. Clark	Second Tuesday
25	Ionic	Winnipeg	C. W. Brown	E. L. Hardie	First Monday
27	Glenwood	Souris	H. W. Forrest	J. A. Leslie	Fourth Friday
29	Carberry	Carberry	Richard Buck	C. Barlow	Tuesday on or before full moon
30	Manitou	Manitou	C. D. Bollman	H. H. Black	First Monday
36	Doric	Boissevain	C. F. McCullagh	T. E. Fleming	Fourth Tuesday
39	Birtle	Birtle	O. L. Kelly	W. J. Brown	Third Monday
40	Deloraine	Deloraine	G. E. Franklin	J. A. Whitlaw	Third Wednesday
43	Lebanon	Virden	D. A. Gray	Clarence Moore	First Tuesday
44	Oak Lake	Oak Lake	T. G. Olive	J. D. Bell	Second Thursday
A — 48	Glenboro	Glenboro	J. E. Diehl	G. Myrdal	Second Tuesday
49	Temple	MacGregor	H. R. Hamilton	H. I. Collins	Third Tuesday
50	Killarney	Killarney	E. J. Bate	J. C. Bate	Third Monday
51	Treherne	Treherne	H. S. Brooking	L. E. Staples	Friday on or before full moon
52	Hartney	Hartney	John Love	J. L. Crowe	First Tuesday
54	Oriental	Melita	N. W. Walker	C. E. Cornish	Fourth Tuesday
55	East Star	Gretna	E. F. Friesen	P. Schuppert	Second Tuesday
62	Russell	Russell	C. H. Smith	C. R. Bestwatherick	Second Tuesday
63	Holland	Holland	R. H. Pentland	Jas. Murray	Second Wednesday
64	Composite	Alexander	Francis McManes	L. W. Skinner	Third Thursday
A — 67	Wawanesa	Wawanesa	H. P. C. Cory	H. J. Williams	Third Monday
68	Vermillion	Dauphin	Malcolm Kennedy	J. A. Shields	First Tuesday
70	Shiloh	Roland	K. G. Stocks	V. H. Hugo	Second Thursday
71	Crystal	Crystal City	S. W. Simning	R. S. McGill	Second Tuesday

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No.	Name of Lodge	P.O. Address	Master	Secretary	Time of Regular Meeting
74	Elkhorn	Elkhorn	J. W. M. Thompson	F. J. Hall	Second Monday
75	Gothic	Austin	Jack McGillvray	Arthur Johnston	Second Wednesday
77	Napinka	Napinka	G. A. Hassett	J. S. Holland	First Thursday
A — 82	Cypress	Cypress River	J. W. Sholdie	R. I. Connon	Fourth Monday
84	Hamiota	Hamiota	E. L. Westbrook	F. J. Coombs	Fourth Tuesday
86	Elgin	Elgin	J. W. Kemp	E. J. Smillie	Second Tuesday
87	Rathwell	Rathwell	John Wilson	A. H. Macdonald	First Tuesday
90	Midlothian	Miami	W. P. Eby	J. E. Crozier	Third Monday
A — 92	Shoal Lake	Shoal Lake	N. S. McLean	C. W. Snyder	Second Thursday
93	King Edward	Winnipeg	S. J. Mitchell	S. A. Restall	Third Wednesday
94	Hiram	Grandview	H. G. Bell	D. N. McIntyre	Third Thursday
100	Robbie Burns	Gilbert Plains	J. A. Young	A. W. Knott	Second Wednesday
101	Binscarth	Binscarth	J. N. Braendle	M. E. Clegg	Third Monday
102	Miniota	Miniota	H. W. Gibbings	W. H. Yarwood	Fourth Thursday
103	Crescent	Elm Creek	R. A. Hess	J. R. Ivey	First Wednesday
104	Reston	Reston	G. R. Nicholson	John Cuthill	Second Thursday
105	Prince Arthur	Swan River	Edwin Van Paull	A. Nielson	First Thursday
106	Strathclair	Strathclair	W. E. McLean	H. W. Clark	Third Tuesday
107	Lansdowne	Griswold	Donald Kettles	M. R. Sutherland	Fourth Wednesday
108	Union	Brookdale	C. D. Jardine	J. A. Mills	First Thursday
A —109	Swan Lake	Swan Lake	N. E. King	G. O. Couch	Third Wednesday
110	Kilwinning	Minto	G. A. Popple	T. Nesbitt	Second Monday
111	Acacia	Winnipeg	James Hamilton	Wm. Dewar	Second Wednesday
112	Ophir	Beausejour	R. B. Lotta	B. Warkentin	Third Monday
113	Tweed	Brandon	R. A. Yates	H. S. Perdue	Third Tuesday
114	"The Assiniboine"	Winnipeg	E. A. Hammarstrand	O. E. MacQuoid	First Tuesday
115	Rivers	Rivers	G. E. Jelliff	J. A. Ashley	Last Monday
116	St. Andrew's	Wellwood	H. V. Roberts	G. W. Wells	First Monday
117	Strathcona	Belmont	E. H. Harrison	R. D. Saunders	Fourth Tuesday
118	Mound	Pilot Mound	C. L. McLean	R. E. Hicks	Fourth Thursday
119	Norwood	Norwood	W. S. Leture	W. M. Summers	Second Thursday
120	Penza	Dominion City	W. L. Lindsay	A. G. Froom	Fourth Tuesday
121	St. James	St. James	L. E. Ashby	E. S. Reeves	Second Wednesday
122	Roblin	Roblin	J. S. Ward	H. Maslove	Second Monday
123	Transcona	Transcona	G. A. Law	F. G. Turner	First Friday
124	The Pas	The Pas	W. M. Monro	Wm. Howie	First Thursday
125	Patricia	Sperling	Frier Anderson	J. J. Tjaden	First Wednesday
126	Favel	Minitonas	E. R. Russenholt	G. D. Bertram	First Tuesday

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127	Empire	Winnipeg	J. E. Hall	A. D. Adamson	Second Monday
128	Victory	Benito	S. D. Corbett	H. S. Tax	Third Wednesday
130	Fort Garry	Winnipeg	C. H. P. Killick	W. D. G. Runions	Second Wednesday
131	Kildonan	East Kildonan	W. C. Gowley	C. H. Cook	Second Tuesday
132	Sprague	Sprague	L. S. Emes	D. L. Thomson	First Wednesday
133	McCreary	McCreary	T. McBurney	T. E. Squire	Second Wednesday
134	Stony Mountain	Stony Mountain	G. W. McNeill	Thos. Hartley	First Wednesday
136	Capitol	Winnipeg	J. H. Bowack	W. J. Law	First Friday
137	Lord Selkirk	Winnipeg	D. J. Linney	G. R. Mackay	Second Wednesday
138	Windsor	St. Vital	G. L. Wilson	J. B. McClure	Second Monday
139	Beaver	Winnipeg	A. R. Gordon	F. H. Herbert	Second Thursday
140	Meridian	Winnipeg	L. C. Woods	A. C. Cabel	Third Thursday
141	Tuscan	Winnipeg	S. Rosenblat	N. C. Law	Second Friday a.m.
142	Harmony	Cardale	H. A. Monro	Ed. Corbett	Third Thursday
143	Mt. Sinai	Winnipeg	A. P. Guttman	J. M. Knelman	Fourth Thursday
A —144	Fort Osborne	Winnipeg	H. C. Cook	A. Laidlaw	First Tuesday
145	Sturgeon Creek	Sturgeon Creek	W. H. Lacey	L. D. Bester	First Monday
146	Fidelity	Winnipeg	G. L. Cameron	Wm. Wilson	First Friday
147	Jubilee	Bowsman	W. D. Brown	H. J. Jenkins	Second Thursday
148	Seven Oaks	West Kildonan	Thomas Sly	A. C. Pritchard	Second Friday
150	Cartwright	Cartwright	H. M. Winram	W. G. Kilpatrick	Third Tuesday
151	The Dormer	East Kildonan	G. L. Mills	R. W. Ross	First Tuesday
152	Foxwarren	Foxwarren	James Laycock	V. G. Hillcox	First Wednesday
153	Flin Flon	Flin Flon	J. B. Kines	W. A. Young	First Tuesday
154	Pine Falls	Pine Falls	J. W. Aseltine	B. H. Campbell	Second Friday
155	Carman	Carman	Archie Hardy	W. M. Duncan	Third Tuesday
156	Manitouwapa	Moosehorn	Daniel McFadyen	W. A. L. Armstrong	Third Tuesday
157	Rice Lake	Bissett	D. J. Currie	G. H. Lucas	First Friday
158	Fenwick	Brandon	H. H. Rungay	H. M. Kerr	Fourth Friday
159	Newdale	Newdale	R. G. Brown	S. H. Dayton	First Thursday
160	Starbuck	Starbuck	C. S. Frantz	I. J. Velde	Fourth Thursday
161	Fort Prince of Wales	Churchill	C. W. Brawley	D. L. Nichol	First Wednesday
162	Ashlar	Norwood	A. E. Dagg	G. E. Winter	First Tuesday
163	Charleswood	Charleswood	C. F. Hayward	R. F. Steinhoff	Second Monday
164	Harry Woods	Lundar	W. G. Halldorson	G. J. Breckman	Fourth Tuesday
U.D.	Friendship	Fort Garry	G. W. Rattray	H. C. Wolfe	First Thursday
U.D.	Woodworth	Kenton	C. P. Brown	J. D. Sills	Second Wednesday

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1	Prince Rupert's	14	11	8	2	1	1	2	....	8	425	....	431
2	Lisgar	12	9	14	0	0	0	0	....	4	184	....	192
3	Ancient Landmark	20	14	18	0	2	3	0	....	8	371	....	382
4	St. John's	15	18	17	4	2	6	0	....	17	620	....	618
6	Emerson	4	4	5	0	0	2	0	....	0	72	....	74
7	Assiniboine	15	14	14	1	0	7	0	....	9	300	....	300
8	King Solomon	6	6	9	0	0	0	0	....	1	75	....	80
10	Northern Light	16	17	16	2	1	3	2	....	10	347	....	351
11	Gladstone	3	3	1	3	0	1	0	....	1	90	....	94
12	Stonewall	2	2	2	5	2	1	0	....	6	128	....	130
13	Morden	1	0	0	0	1	1	2	....	1	91	....	89
14	Prince of Wales	4	5	6	1	0	2	2	....	1	121	....	121
15	Corinthian	2	2	2	0	0	1	0	....	1	71	....	71
19	Brandon	11	9	14	0	2	4	2	....	3	250	....	254
24	Neepawa	5	6	6	2	0	1	0	....	5	168	....	169
25	Ionic	25	23	24	2	1	4	5	....	6	636	....	649
27	Glenwood	4	10	8	3	0	1	1	....	7	168	....	166
29	Carberry	4	4	4	0	2	1	1	....	1	68	....	71
30	Manitou	3	3	3	0	0	2	2	....	0	71	....	70
36	Doric	9	8	9	2	0	0	2	....	2	118	....	125
39	Birtle	5	4	4	1	0	0	0	....	0	59	....	65
40	Deloraine	4	4	4	0	1	1	2	....	4	93	....	91
43	Lebanon	4	4	4	2	1	2	0	....	1	97	....	101
44	Oak Lake	2	2	2	0	0	1	0	....	1	40	....	40
48	Glenboro	5	5	5	3	0	1	0	....	2	62	....	67
49	Temple	3	3	2	0	1	1	1	....	2	79	....	79
50	Killarney	1	1	3	0	0	0	0	....	4	79	....	76
51	Treherne	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	....	2	70	....	68
52	Hartney	3	3	2	2	1	0	0	....	3	104	....	107
54	Oriental	4	4	5	1	1	3	0	....	3	77	....	77

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55	East Star	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	----	1	51	....	51
62	Russell	3	3	3	2	0	3	1	----	4	75	....	75
63	Holland	0	0	2	0	1	1	0	----	4	66	....	62
64	Composite	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	----	2	59	....	59
67	Wawanesa	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	----	0	67	....	68
68	Vermilion	10	8	8	2	0	1	0	----	2	193	+2	204
70	Shiloh	2	2	1	0	1	1	2	----	2	78	....	76
71	Crystal	2	3	4	1	0	0	0	----	0	85	....	88
74	Elkhorn	2	2	2	1	0	3	0	----	3	50	....	47
75	Gothic	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	----	0	62	....	59
77	Napinka	4	4	4	0	0	4	2	----	1	62	....	59
82	Cypress	2	2	2	1	1	3	0	----	2	45	....	44
84	Hamiota	5	5	5	3	0	1	0	----	0	72	....	79
86	Elgin	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	----	0	67	....	68
87	Rathwell	0	3	3	0	1	0	1	----	1	28	....	27
90	Midlothian	1	1	3	0	0	1	0	----	4	75	....	71
92	Shoal Lake	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	----	2	79	....	77
93	King Edward	8	8	8	5	1	3	4	----	8	311	....	310
94	Hiram	2	2	2	0	3	1	0	----	4	92	....	92
100	Robbie Burns	1	1	0	2	0	1	0	----	0	34	....	36
101	Binscarth	1	1	0	0	1	1	5	----	1	38	....	33
102	Miniota	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	----	1	54	....	55
103	Crescent	8	7	6	0	0	1	1	----	0	85	....	91
104	Reston	4	4	6	1	0	2	1	----	5	180	....	177
105	Prince Arthur	5	5	5	1	0	2	0	----	1	101	....	104
106	Strathclair	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	----	0	56	....	59
107	Lansdowne	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	----	1	53	....	50
108	Union	1	1	3	0	0	1	1	----	1	54	....	52
109	Swan Lake	1	1	2	0	0	0	3	----	0	46	....	44
110	Kilwinning	5	5	5	1	0	0	0	----	1	53	....	58

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111	Acacia	17	16	17	3	1	4	3	----	4	312	....	322
112	Ophir	6	6	6	0	0	2	4	----	0	87	....	87
113	Tweed	10	11	10	0	0	5	1	----	4	268	....	268
114	"The Assiniboine"	15	23	29	3	1	3	0	----	14	369	....	371
115	Rivers	8	7	7	3	1	2	2	----	0	97	....	105
116	St. Andrew's	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	----	1	41	....	39
117	Strathcona	3	4	3	2	0	1	4	----	1	64	....	63
118	Mound	0	0	2	1	0	2	1	----	0	82	....	80
119	Norwood	15	10	10	3	1	5	1	----	4	297	....	306
120	Penza	7	7	9	2	0	0	0	----	0	47	....	56
121	St. James	15	15	15	3	2	2	2	----	5	274	....	285
122	Roblin	3	2	3	1	1	1	0	----	3	69	....	70
123	Transcona	5	4	4	0	0	3	1	----	1	169	....	169
124	The Pas	4	3	4	0	0	1	0	----	3	136	....	136
125	Patricia	3	1	1	0	1	1	0	----	1	51	....	53
126	Favel	4	4	4	0	2	1	0	----	1	53	....	57
127	Empire	10	9	6	1	2	8	3	----	5	206	....	203
128	Victory	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	----	1	53	....	54
130	Fort Garry	18	20	21	4	2	2	3	----	4	312	....	327
131	Kildonan	6	5	5	1	0	3	0	----	2	135	....	137
132	Sprague	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	----	0	33	....	33
133	McCreary	4	4	2	1	0	1	2	----	1	54	....	55
134	Stony Mountain	5	5	5	0	0	0	0	----	0	75	....	80
136	Capitol	15	22	27	1	0	5	1	----	3	294	....	301
137	Lord Selkirk	14	14	14	3	0	2	0	----	4	139	....	150
138	Windsor	16	25	19	5	0	0	0	----	2	209	....	228
139	Beaver	11	11	17	0	2	0	5	----	3	301	....	306
140	Meridian	20	20	20	4	2	6	1	----	4	378	....	393
141	Tuscan	5	4	3	0	0	2	0	----	2	107	....	108
142	Harmony	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	----	0	37	....	36

TABULAR STATEMENT OF CONSTITUENT LODGES, 31st DECEMBER, 1952—Continued

No.	NAME OF LODGE	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Affiliated	Reinstated	Demitted	Suspended N.P.D.	Suspended U.M.C.	Died	Membership Dec. 31, 1951	Adjustments	Membership Dec. 31, 1952
143	Mt. Sinai	14	13	11	2	0	1	0	----	2	325	-------	338
144	Ft. Osborne	13	13	13	2	0	1	3	----	2	220	-------	229
145	Sturgeon Creek	10	9	9	2	0	4	3	----	2	160	-------	163
146	Fidelity	17	20	20	1	1	3	2	----	0	266	-------	280
147	Jubilee	3	4	2	1	0	0	1	----	2	62	-------	63
148	Seven Oaks	5	5	0	7	0	2	2	----	5	129	-------	132
150	Cartwright	2	2	2	1	0	1	0	----	0	38	-------	40
151	The Dormer	7	6	6	2	0	1	0	----	0	111	-------	119
152	Foxwarren	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	----	0	37	-------	36
153	Flin Flon	10	14	9	2	0	2	3	----	1	161	-------	167
154	Pine Falls	4	4	5	0	0	1	1	----	2	75	-------	75
155	Carman	3	5	5	1	0	3	0	----	1	84	-------	84
156	Manitouwapa	6	7	7	0	0	3	0	----	0	66	-------	69
157	Rice Lake	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	----	2	48	-------	46
158	Fenwick	19	12	10	5	0	6	0	----	0	119	-------	137
159	Newdale	3	3	5	1	0	1	0	----	0	30	-------	33
160	Starbuck	8	8	8	3	0	0	0	----	0	49	-------	60
161	Fort Prince of Wales	18	15	16	2	0	0	0	----	1	65	-------	84
162	Ashlar	11	11	11	6	0	2	0	----	1	40	-------	54
163	Charleswood	10	15	12	2	0	0	0	----	0	46	-------	58
164	Harry Woods	18	18	18	5	0	1	0	----	0	----	-------	60
U.D.	Friendship	10	8	0	17	0	3	0	----	1	----	-------	76
U.D.	Woodworth	5	5	3	2	0	0	0	----	0	----	-------	23
	Charter Members U.D. Lodges	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	107	----	----
	Totals	720	724	732	164	48	188	95	0	259	14385	+2	14884

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE FIRST MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1952.

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
1	Prince Rupert's	9	5	14	133	298	104	15	156.00	1,274.38	664.43	720.52	19,670.91	2,300.00	Active	1	Rent
3	Ancient Landmark	9	10	19	101	281	80	18	282.00	80.00	1,433.05	832.50	34,377.01	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
4	St. John's	9	13	22	158	468	115	20	238.00	48.88	1,253.74	824.00	30,189.84	1,250.00	Active	1	Rent
10	Northern Light	9	4	13	88	263	82	17	170.00	480.00	2,872.48	175.00	15,272.54	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
25	Ionic	10	9	19	175	474	118	23	427.00	454.71	2,252.41	864.73	63,605.62	6,000.00	Active	1	Rent
93	King Edward	9	6	15	75	235	75	36	355.90	1,299.11	938.76	381.50	8,963.16	1,600.00	Active	1	Rent
111	Acacia	9	9	18	59	263	96	36	402.00	470.00	515.00	871.85	16,856.55	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
114	"The Assiniboine"	10	9	19	85	286	81	4	46.00	590.00	1,094.59	....	19,095.59	1,500.00	Active	1	Rent
119	Norwood	9	12	21	48	258	80	16	218.00	278.81	256.45	252.00	12,680.03	8,300.00	Active	1	Own
121	St. James	9	8	17	46	239	74	19	200.00	461.55	783.51	265.00	15,213.51	3,500.00	Active	1	Rent
127	Empire	9	10	19	42	165	65	9	102.00	271.30	1,514.03	473.25	10,722.04	6,000.00	Active	1	Own
162	Ashlar	9	10	19	1	53	38	....	....	....	1,184.69	393.98	1,538.71	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
U.D.	Friendship	5	1	6	4	72	40	....	....	....	1,132.88	....	1,647.49	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE SECOND MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1952.

7	Assiniboine	10	12	22	110	190	70	33	315.00	130.84	1,569.58	....	16,945.89	34,000.00	Active	1	Own
11	Gladstone	12	3	15	36	58	30	10	102.65	69.53	352.80	....	4,202.80	3,000.00	Active	1	Own
24	Neepawa	10	3	13	62	107	41	13	159.50	175.00	870.85	2,000.00	4,370.85	1,500.00	Active	1	Rent
29	Carberry	12	2	14	33	38	31	8	48.00	64.75	515.22	....	4,145.22	3,000.00	Active	1	Own
49	Temple	12	3	15	37	42	30	40	280.00	326.00	238.00	....	6,438.00	3,500.00	Active	1	Own
75	Gothic	10	....	10	30	28	16	8	56.00	....	114.16	....	2,314.16	1,500.00	Active	1	Own
108	Union	11	1	12	18	34	18	9	69.00	18.00	625.00	90.00	2,470.75	3,000.00	Active	1	Own
116	St. Andrews	10	1	11	23	16	14	10	96.00	37.35	373.30	800.00	3,948.30	5,000.00	Active	1	Own
133	McCreary	12	1	13	19	36	20	22	270.00	250.09	177.27	200.00	3,737.27	4,400.00	Active	1	Own

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE THIRD MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1952.

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		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
48	Glenboro	11	1	12	23	44	26	1	56.00	106.12	468.09	....	818.09	350.00	Active	1	Rent
51	Treherne	10	1	11	23	45	25	1	12.00	21.50	199.32	2,576.08	5,323.24	5,000.00	Active	1	Own
63	Holland	10	3	13	27	35	24	----	6.00	....	426.00	....	1,426.00	....	Active	1	Rent
67	Wawanesa	12	----	12	25	43	30	4	65.00	13.00	113.56	....	963.56	250.00	Active	1	Rent
82	Cypress	9	2	11	18	29	12	2	28.00	....	576.99	....	1,377.49	600.00	Active	1	Rent
87	Rathwell	9	----	9	10	17	15	----	....	....	672.19	....	965.34	300.00	Active	1	Rent
103	Crescent	10	1	11	7	82	34	----	....	117.65	671.45	....	2,646.45	800.00	Active	1	Rent
109	Swan Lake	10	----	10	11	33	20	4	24.00	9.00	146.39	....	2,846.39	2,000.00	Active	1	Own
117	Strathcona	12	2	14	20	43	27	1	10.00	....	937.99	....	3,537.99	500.00	Active	1	Rent
160	Starbuck	11	1	12	3	57	38	----	....	10.00	1,909.48	....	2,659.48	750.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE FOURTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1952.

13	Morden	10	1	11	38	51	21	17	156.50	35.00	1,526.19	....	2,471.19	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
30	Manitou	10	----	10	26	44	20	----	....	25.00	388.17	....	1,288.17	450.00	Active	1	Rent
36	Doric	11	6	17	28	97	33	13	105.00	83.06	1,287.14	....	13,787.14	12,000.00	Active	1	Own
50	Killarney	12	2	14	23	53	14	12	81.35	....	713.39	....	2,963.39	250.00	Active	1	Rent
71	Crystal	12	1	13	32	56	31	12	85.00	60.00	1,440.49	....	994.49	200.00	Active	1	Rent
118	Mound	12	----	12	19	61	----	10	125.00	87.48	187.50	....	7,889.50	3,100.00	Active	1	Own
150	Cartwright	10	----	10	22	18	15	16	150.50	28.25	835.98	....	1,135.98	....	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE FIFTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1952.

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver-Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
14	Prince of Wales	10	2	12	58	63	30	1	165.70	....	424.51	156.44	8,873.77	5,500.00	Active	1	Own
15	Corinthian	12	2	14	6	65	29	2	52.00	....	400.00	62.00	5,506.78	3,600.00	Active	1	Own
39	Birtle	10	1	11	21	45	22	3	30.00	....	302.51	....	5,332.00	8,000.00	Active	1	Own
62	Russell	10	3	13	21	51	30	1	60.00	....	185.00	1,300.00	5,635.85	5,200.00	Active	1	Own
84	Hamiota	12	1	13	10	69	24	....	48.00	....	1,122.00	....	1,372.16	250.00	Fair	1	Rent
92	Shoal Lake	9	2	11	....	....	10	10	180.00	....	410.86	540.00	2,446.10	1,500.00	Dorm.	1	Own
101	Binscarth	9	1	10	9	24	8	7	302.00	....	28.43	....	778.00	750.00	Fair	1	Rent
102	Miniota	12	1	13	29	24	12	....	35.00	....	545.00	....	4,471.64	3,625.00	Dorm.	1	Own
105	Strathclair	11	....	11	22	36	18	2	72.00	....	491.74	145.98	4,491.74	3,000.00	Fair	1	Own
115	Rivers	10	2	12	45	60	25	2	90.00	....	1,951.05	....	8,440.00	5,500.00	Good	1	Own
142	Harmony	11	....	11	13	23	10	1	37.50	....	216.99	....	716.99	500.00	Fair	1	Rent
152	Foxwarren	12	1	13	15	21	14	1	39.00	....	326.32	....	1,686.32	1,500.00	Fair	1	Own
159	Newdale	12	....	12	6	27	24	....	....	....	355.95	....	655.95	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
U.D.	Woodworth	9	....	9	....	27	22	....	....	....	409.00	....	700.00	200.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE SIXTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1952.

27	Glenwood	10	2	12	77	91	38	17	149.00	35.90	2,989.42	....	15,789.42	22,000.00	Active	1	Own
40	Deloraine	12	2	14	26	65	20	23	326.00	52.00	583.58	2,779.58	20,804.58	16,500.00	Active	1	Own
52	Hartney	11	1	12	54	48	31	12	140.00	495.00	130.25	....	1,960.32	900.00	Active	1	Rent
54	Oriental	12	1	13	23	54	24	2	16.00	30.00	1,220.33	193.70	3,201.33	600.00	Active	1	Rent
77	Napinka	12	....	12	16	43	18	11	65.00	50.00	222.27	....	1,672.27	500.00	Active	1	Rent
86	Elgin	11	....	11	15	53	22	15	105.00	35.00	418.52	....	818.52	....	Active	1	Rent
104	Reston	12	1	13	46	130	42	16	128.00	200.00	480.95	....	13,808.05	15,500.00	Active	1	Own
110	Kilwinning	11	....	11	38	27	20	9	108.00	45.00	150.45	100.00	2,858.45	2,600.00	Active	1	Own

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE SEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1952.

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver-Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.s	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
19	Brandon	10	10	20	67	187	38	31	568.00	280.47	1,401.85	....	10,833.05	....	Active	1	Rent
43	Lebanon	10	....	10	54	47	26	6	59.50	882.45	425.49	....	2,525.49	450.00	Active	1	Rent
44	Oak Lake	10	....	10	13	27	14	6	64.00	25.00	91.59	....	2,841.59	1,900.00	Active	1	Own
64	Composite	10	2	12	20	39	24	1	6.00	45.70	591.06	38.63	2,652.43	1,400.00	Active	1	Own
74	Elkhorn	11	1	12	21	26	16	5	50.00	....	274.66	1,525.25	1,799.41	4,800.00	Active	1	Own
107	Lansdowne	10	1	11	20	30	15	3	21.00	35.00	113.00	....	4,613.00	3,000.00	Active	1	Own
113	Tweed	10	7	17	95	173	41	37	318.50	555.00	2,235.61	744.71	21,176.40	....	Active	1	Rent
158	Fenwick	10	11	21	30	107	35	4	28.00	53.50	2,346.15	423.50	2,483.82	500.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE EIGHTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1952.

6	Emerson	12	4	16	27	47	22	11	136.00	23.00	386.00	....	18,000.57	8,700.00	Active	1	Own
8	King Solomon	12	8	20	25	55	25	10	86.00	....	444.81	....	18,794.80	16,500.00	Active	2	Own
55	East Star	12	1	13	31	20	20	11	84.00	....	123.81	38.75	2,085.06	2,000.00	Active	1	Own
70	Shiloh	10	2	12	25	51	31	11	99.00	80.15	60.85	....	11,237.85	10,650.00	Active	1	Own
90	Midlothian	11	1	12	22	49	17	7	49.00	432.00	641.31	121.70	1,839.00	200.00	Active	1	Rent
120	Penza	10	5	15	17	39	19	4	30.00	109.50	953.99	....	3,453.99	2,500.00	Active	1	Own
125	Patricia	11	....	11	23	30	20	4	70.00	26.35	618.55	....	3,228.20	4,300.00	Active	1	Own
132	Sprague	4	1	5	18	15	8	4	70.00	5.00	282.67	....	882.67	....	Active	1	Rent
155	Carman	10	3	13	16	68	33	9	68.00	....	552.58	....	1,487.72	1,000.00	Active	2	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE NINTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1952.

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		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
68	Vermillion	10	11	21	65	134	30	40	660.00	....	226.49	3,780.00	13,340.82	12,000.00	Active	1	Own
94	Hiram	12	....	12	45	47	26	12	68.00	206.76	349.93	29.45	3,220.48	25,000.00	Active	1	Own
100	Robbie Burns	9	....	9	16	20	10	4	32.00	....	182.22	....	932.22	275.00	Active	1	Rent
105	Prince Arthur	12	3	15	37	67	31	22	210.00	110.00	1,034.12	210.00	2,324.12	....	Active	1	Rent
122	Roblin	12	1	13	23	47	22	7	45.00	....	64.02	....	4,526.86	1,800.00	Active	1	Own
126	Favel	10	2	12	24	35	23	4	56.00	....	987.94	....	1,487.94	500.00	Active	1	Rent
128	Victory	10	....	10	24	30	14	9	98.00	11.20	347.66	....	1,297.66	300.00	Active	1	Rent
147	Jubilee	10	3	13	24	39	21	13	143.00	29.47	305.51	....	755.51	300.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE TENTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1952.

2	Lisgar	10	9	19	90	102	45	....	397.00	62.70	2,598.44	....	17,500.00	14,000.00	Active	1	Own
12	Stonewall	12	5	17	40	90	35	5	56.00	112.00	280.72	....	4,380.72	5,700.00	Active	1	Own
112	Ophir	10	2	12	15	72	29	7	80.00	....	447.43	....	11,947.43	11,000.00	Active	1	Own
123	Transcona	9	6	15	23	146	46	18	353.50	265.70	2,241.68	....	5,241.68	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
131	Kildonan	9	8	17	29	108	40	8	228.00	235.00	353.03	118.75	9,016.69	500.00	Active	1	Rent
134	Stony Mountain	11	2	13	17	63	24	5	45.00	....	342.21	....	4,742.24	2,400.00	Active	1	Own
148	Seven Oaks	9	4	13	21	112	47	9	77.50	277.25	1,297.85	140.00	9,248.85	1000.00	Active	1	Rent
151	The Dormer	9	7	16	7	112	44	12	144.00	124.00	573.98	101.00	5,839.72	500.00	Active	1	Rent
154	Pine Falls	10	4	14	27	48	33	7	39.50	79.00	172.39	56.25	4,161.61	400.00	Active	1	Rent
156	Manitouwapa	9	3	12	32	37	23	4	30.00	27.30	1,030.57	....	2,413.57	500.00	Active	1	Rent
164	Harry Woods	12	8	20	1	59	29	1	10.00	16.00	316.89	....	352.79	600.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE TWELFTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1952.

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		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
130	Fort Garry	9	10	19	67	260	95	----	331.00	233.15	134.00	448.24	7,395.51	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
136	Capitol	9	7	16	52	249	116	5	360.00	450.00	1,684.50	....	5,034.50	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
137	Lord Selkirk	9	5	14	27	123	45	5	222.00	428.22	1,840.24	....	5,300.24	250.00	Active	1	Rent
138	Windsor	9	13	22	30	198	53	1	222.00	220.00	667.17	697.26	59,731.58	35,000.00	Active	1	Own
139	Beaver	9	8	17	75	230	55	----	399.00	476.90	1,193.72	139.00	7,464.72	....	Active	1	Rent
140	Meridian	9	5	14	67	326	94	----	385.00	475.05	2,080.88	837.50	17,250.88	500.00	Active	1	Rent
141	Tuscan	9	----	9	16	92	38	----	145.00	116.35	2,014.79	202.00	2,657.79	....	Active	1	Rent
143	Mount Sinai	9	5	14	41	297	92	2	327.00	....	1,812.06	1,346.33	14,154.27	500.00	Active	1	Rent
144	Fort Osborne	9	6	15	43	186	56	6	272.50	240.84	629.64	....	6,562.74	500.00	Active	1	Rent
145	Sturgeon Creek	9	7	16	35	128	45	5	164.00	46.97	2,114.58	....	5,167.25	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
146	Fidelity	9	7	16	35	245	52	----	270.00	466.50	1,992.85	1,533.10	10,330.75	200.00	Active	1	Rent
163	Charleswood	10	9	19	4	54	33	----	40.00	....	849.42	....	1,103.97	1,500.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT OF LODGES UNDER SPECIAL SUPERVISION OF THE M.W. THE GRAND MASTER 31st DECEMBER, 1952.

124	The Pas	10	2	12	60	76	21	28	399.00	....	254.16	....	4,054.16	8,400.00	Active	1	Own
153	Flin Flon	10	11	21	55	112	39	26	368.75	420.02	2,514.02	230.60	8,155.28	16,500.00	Active	1	Own
157	Rice Lake	9	1	10	18	28	23	2	10.00	70.00	582.39	....	1,786.68	500.00	Active	1	Rent
161	Fort Prince of Wales	12	17	29	57	28	25	32	195.00	90.00	543.31	....	8,543.31	5,000.00	Active	1	Own

LIST OF GRAND LODGES WITH THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF THE GRAND SECRETARIES

Grand Lodge	Grand Secretary	Address
Alabama	C. H. Stubinger	Montgomery, P.O. Box 98
Alberta	George Moore	Calgary, Masonic Temple
Alpina (Switzerland)	Marcel Wiegandt	Geneva—10 Grand-Quae
Arizona	J. A. E. Ivey	Tucson, P.O. Box 1488
Arkansas	W. A. Thomas	Little Rock
British Columbia	J. H. N. Morgan	Vancouver, 692 Seymour St.
California	Lloyd E. Wilson	San Francisco, 25 Van Ness Ave.
Canada (in Ontario)	E. G. Dixon	Hamilton, P.O. Drawer 217
Chili	J. Eduardo Pastene	Santiago, Casilla 2867
Colombia	Pedro A. Baquero C.	Bogota, Apt. 2519
Colorado	H. W. Bundy	Denver 2, 300 Masonic Temple
Connecticut	Earle K. Haling	Hartford 3
Costa Rica	Enrique Chaves Bolanos	San Jose, Apt. "Y"
Cuba	Jose F. Castellanos	Havana, Apt. 72
Delaware	Chester R. Jones	Wilmington, 813 Market St.
Denmark, N.G.L.	Svend F. Jacobsen	Copenhagen, 23 Blegsdamvej
District of Columbia	Raymond N. Babcock	Washington 5, Masonic Temple
Ecuador	J. A. Vallejo Ycaza	Guayaquil, F.C.O. P. Lavayen No. 222
England	Sir Sydney A. White	London, Gt. Queen St.
Florida	Geo. W. Huff	Jacksonville 2.
France, G.L.	Marc Rabrosse	Paris, 8 Rue Puteaux
France, N.G.L.	L. F. Poirson	Paris, 65 Boulevard Beniau, Neuilly-sur-Seine
Georgia	D. W. Locklin	Macon, 811 Mulberry St.
Guatemala	C. E. Bianchi	Guatemala City, Apartado 312
Honduras	Constantino S. Ramos	Honduras, C.A.
Idaho	Clyde I. Rush	Boise, P.O. Box 1667
Illinois	R. C. Davenport	Harrisburg, P.O. Box 441
Indiana	Dwight L. Smith	Indianapolis
Iowa	Earl B. Delzell	Cedar Rapids
Ireland	Henry C. Shellard	Dublin, Freemason's Hall
Kansas	Elmer F. Strain	Topeka
Kentucky	A. E. Orton	Louisville, 200 Shubert Bldg.
Louisiana	D. Peter Laguens, Jr.	New Orleans, 333 St. Charles St.
Maine	Convers E. Leach	Portland
Manitoba	Thos. C. Jackson	Winnipeg
Maryland	Claude Shaffer	Baltimore
Massachusetts	Earl W. Taylor	Boston 16, 51 Boylston Ave.
Mexico, York G.L.	Lynn M. Phillips	Mexico City, P.O. Box 1986
Michigan	F. Homer Newton	Grand Rapids
Minnesota	J. H. Anderson	St. Paul, Masonic Temple
Mississippi	Sid. F. Curtis	Meridian, P.O. Box 1030
Missouri	Harold L. Reader	St. Louis, 3681 Lindell Blvd.
Montana	Ralph N. Lodge	Helena, P.O. Box 1158
Nebraska	Carl R. Greisen	Omaha, 401 Masonic Temple
Netherlands	Dr. A. A. Galestin	The Hague, Fluwelan Burgwal, Holland
Nevada	E. C. Peterson	Carson City, 500 Mountain St.
New Brunswick	R. D. Magee	Saint John, P.O. Box 430
New Hampshire	J. Melvin Dresser	Concord, 44 S. Main St.
New Jersey	Isaac Cherry	Trenton (10), 100 S. Willow St.
New Mexico	Chandler C. Thomas	Albuquerque, P.O. Box 535
New South Wales	Jas. S. Miller	Sydney, 279 Castlereagh St.
New York	Edward R. Carman	New York 10
New Zealand	F. G. Northern	Wellington, P.O. Box 1833
North Carolina	W. L. McIver	Raleigh, P.O. Box 3068
North Dakota	Harold S. Pond	Fargo, P.O. Box. 1269
Norway	Odd Lie-Davidsen	N. Voldgate 19, Oslo
Nova Scotia	R. V. Harris	Halifax
Ohio	H. S. Johnson	Cincinnati, 2—317 East 5th St.
Oklahoma	C. A. Sturgeon	Guthrie
Oregon	H. D. Proudfoot	Portland, 1119 S.W. Park
Panama	E. E. De Diego. O.	Panama, Apartado 84
Paraiba	Orlando Rego Luna	Paraiba, P.O. Box 3, Brazil

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Grand Lodge	Grand Secretary	Address
Pennsylvania	Geo. A. Avery	Philadelphia 7
Philippine Islands	Antonio Gonzalez	Manila, P.O. Box 990
Puerto Rico	Jose J. Vicens	P.O. Box 8385, Santurce
Prince Edward Island	L. A. McDougall	Charlottetown, P.O. Box 112
Quebec	R. W. Louthood	Montreal, 1559 St. Marks St.
Queensland	E. G. Radford	Brisbane, Box 675 K; G.P.O.
Rhode Island	N. Arthur Hyland	Providence
Rio de Janeiro	J. G. de Bacellar	Rio de Janeiro, P.O. Box 2215
Santa Domingo	J. M. Perez Andujar	Santa Domingo
Saskatchewan	Robt. A. Tate	Regina, Masonic Temple
Sao Paulo	Henrique Smith	Sao Paulo, P.O. Box 8348
Scotland	Alex. F. Buchan	Edinburgh, 96 George St.
South Australia	F. J. Ellen	Adelaide, North Terrace
South Carolina	H. F. Collins	Columbia, 502 Palmetto State Life Building
South Dakota	E. F. Strain	Sioux Falls, P.O. Box. 468
Tasmania	H. A. Wilkinson	Hobart, 117 Macquarie St.
Tennessee	Thos. E. Doss	Nashville 2, P.O. Box. 216
Texas	Leo Hart	Waco, P.O. Box 446
Utah	E. R. Gibson	Salt Lake City
Vermont	Aaron H. Grout	Burlington
Victoria	C. W. Davis	Melbourne; 25 Collins St.
Virginia	Jas. N. Hillman	Richmond
Washington	J. I. Preisener	Tacoma 3, Masonic Temple
West Virginia	J. B. Hollingsworth	Charleston 28, P.O. Box 2346
Western Australia	N. J. Munro	Perth, Box d-117-G.P.O.
Wisconsin	P.W. Grossenbach, Jr.	Milwaukee, 705 E. Wells St.
Wyoming	Irving E. Clark	Casper

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA NEAR OTHER GRAND LODGES

Grand Lodge	Representative	Address	Date
Alabama	C. H. Stubinger	Montgomery	Mar. 10, 1937
Alberta	Sam. Harris	High Prairie	Jan. 2, 1941
Alpina (Switzerland)	Wm. Planta	Berne	Sept. 2, 1941
Arizona	Rev. R. S. Calder	Phoenix	Jan. 31, 1940
Arkansas	J. H. Pinson	El-Dorado	Mar. 27, 1925
British Columbia	Donald Adams	Revelstoke	Oct. 13, 1930
Canada (In Ontario)	Chas. S. Hamilton	Toronto	Mar. 22, 1944
Chile	Artouro de la Cruz	Santiago	Oct. 14, 1929
Colombia	Alfred G. Williams	Bogota	Nov. 24, 1942
Colorado	Ira C. Foster	Montrose	Feb. 24, 1940
Connecticut	W. A. Hunt	Forestville	Apr. 22, 1939
Costa Rica	M. J. Piza Gabriel	Cartago	Dec. 18, 1952
Cuba	T. E. Sierra	Havana	June 6, 1923
Delaware	Louis S. Cain	Wilmington	Jan. 29, 1927
Denmark	A. T. K. Troedsson	Copenhagen	Sept. 4, 1946
District of Columbia	Convass B. Dean	Arlington (Va.)	Aug. 8, 1949
Ecuador	Octavio Moran	Guayaquil	July 21, 1932
England	The Rt. Hon. Viscount de Vesci	Monk Hopton, Bridgnorth	Nov. 25, 1939
Florida	Frank H. Brown	Miami	Apr. 2, 1940
France, G.L.	Louis Doignon	Paris	Feb. 22, 1952
France, N.G.L.	G. H. Hargreaves	Paris	Apr. 26, 1936
Guatemala	D. W. Orbough	Guatemala City	May 23, 1953
Georgia	Carl Smith, Jr.	Covington	Apr. 19, 1951
Honduras	J. M. Lopez	Honduras	Dec. 1, 1931
Idaho	Neil R. Fitch	Payette	Dec. 9, 1941
Illinois	Dr. G. H. Stephens	Danville	Aug. 30, 1924
Indiana	Guy L. Roberts	Indianapolis	Sept. 15, 1951
Iowa	C. D. Jory	Sheldon	May 20, 1953
Ireland	David Ferris	Newry	Nov. 1, 1921
Kansas	Homer C. Anderson	Topeka	Mar. 8, 1951
Kentucky	John L. Vest	Walton	Aug. 15, 1927
Louisiana	J. A. Thompson	Minden	Dec. 19, 1950
Maine	Geo. R. Caswell	Augusta	Apr. 14, 1952
Maryland	Chas. Reichhardt	Baltimore	Feb. 5, 1944
Massachusetts	Roger A. Vint	Malden	Nov. 28, 1950
Mexico, York G.L.	R. E. Valentine	Monterey	Sept. 1, 1950
Michigan	Louis Anderson	Omena	June 1, 1932
Minnesota	C. E. Hegman	St. Paul	June 27, 1949
Mississippi	A. F. Copeland	Leland	Apr. 19, 1932
Missouri	H. C. Johnston	Boonville	Nov. 16, 1936
Montana	Guy Dowen	Chinook	Nov. 24, 1949
Nebraska	E. C. Purdy	Gordon	July 7, 1943
Netherlands	Dr. M. ten Cate	Amsterdam	Apr. 16, 1948
Nevada	S. P. Kafoury	Reno	June 2, 1933
New Brunswick	Alfred Page	Woodstock	Apr. 14, 1939
New Hampshire	D. W. Hopkins	Greenfield	Aug. 27, 1943
New Jersey	J. F. Russell	Jersey City	Apr. 1, 1923
New Mexico	J. G. Benton	Jal	Dec. 4, 1945
New South Wales	S. A. Taplin	Drummoyne	Aug. 5, 1947
New York	W. H. DeChant	New York	Mar. 20, 1951
New Zealand	R. W. Carpenter	Hawk's Bay	Mar. 4, 1948
North Carolina	J. L. Peacock	Tarboro	July 10, 1935
North Dakota	Harold S. Pond	Fargo	Mar. 4, 1953
Norway	Sigurd Halvorsen	Oslo	July 30, 1948
Nova Scotia	Rev. G. R. Thompson	Truro	May 18, 1943
Ohio	F. R. Dwyer	Bradford	July 28, 1943
Oklahoma	J. Gard Duncan	Wapanucka	Dec. 31, 1946
Oregon	Wilmot K. Royal	Portland	Dec. 4, 1933
Panama	Andres Mojica	Panama	Jan. 20, 1953
Paraiba	Dr. Arlindo Correa	Paraiba	July 10, 1939
Philippine Islands	Gonzalo T. Vales	Manila	Feb. 6, 1940
Puerto Rico	Leon G. Reyes	Caguas	May 4, 1945
Prince Edward Island	Frank S. Myers	Crapaud	June 20, 1953

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Grand Lodge	Representative	Address	Date
Quebec	W. R. Allen	Montreal	Jan. 14, 1918
Queensland	Wm. K. McLuckie	Brisbane	June 1, 1923
Rhode Island	H. V. Allan	Warwick	July 29, 1948
Rio de Janeiro	L. Bert Love	Rio de Janeiro	Nov. 11, 1944
Sao Paulo	Mauricio Utechitel	Sao Paulo	July 27, 1951
Saskatchewan	F. C. Hayes	Swift Current	July 23, 1945
Scotland	O. M. Watson	Glasgow	Aug. 19, 1948
South Australia	E. J. Copping	Adelaide	Aug. 1, 1930
South Carolina	Wm. W. Gregory	Inman	May 15, 1934
South Dakota	Jess. H. Thorpe	Watertown	Jan. 15, 1937
Tasmania	R. V. W. Green	Launceston	Apr. 24, 1928
Tennessee	H. H. Harter	Clarksville	Mar. 2, 1953
Texas	J. W. Pender	Denton	Mar. 1, 1931
Utah	J. W. Buck	Park City	Oct. 4, 1945
Vermont	A. H. Winchester	Brattleboro	Jan. 5, 1944
Victoria	E. J. Carter	Melbourne	Sept. 10, 1934
Virginia	Hugh Reid	Arlington	Nov. 21, 1949
Washington	G. L. Buck	Seattle	Mar. 1, 1951
West Virginia	C. B. Ahrens	Wheeling	Aug. 17, 1939
Western Australia	T. H. Bath	Perth	Dec. 13, 1946
Wisconsin	R. H. Watson	Milwaukee	May 1, 1939

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Grand Lodge	Representatives	Address	Date
Alabama	B. Warkentin	Beausejour	Mar. 24, 1948
Alberta	H. M. Kerr	Brandon	Nov. 25, 1930
Alpina (Switzerland)	S. H. Fahrni	Portage la Prairie	Jan. 16, 1952
Arizona	A. D. Blair	Alexander	
Arkansas	George H. Lucas	Bissett	Aug. 20, 1952
British Columbia	J. C. Grant	Winnipeg	Oct. 1, 1945
Canada (in Ontario)	W. D. Lawrence	Winnipeg	Sept. 13, 1940
Chile	N. J. Black	Winnipeg	May 13, 1920
Colombia	A. S. McCann	Winnipeg	Apr. 29, 1949
Colorado	K. R. Kennedy	Winnipeg	Mar. 5, 1938
Connecticut	M. S. Donovan	Brandon	May 21, 1935
Costa Rica	J. D. Lloyd	Emerson	Feb. 7, 1949
Cuba	J. Morgan Davies	Winnipeg	May 27, 1940
Delaware	J. G. Wiechman	Treherne	Mar. 18, 1952
Denmark	W. C. Birt	Winnipeg	Oct. 1, 1951
District of Columbia	A. C. Cabel	Winnipeg	Aug. 5, 1949
Ecuador	S. W. Robertson	Winnipeg	Apr. 26, 1946
England	W. J. Major	Winnipeg	June 12, 1935
Florida	S. Hart Green	Winnipeg	Apr. 30, 1945
France, N.G.L.	Chas. Midwinter	Winnipeg	Mar. 3, 1937
France, G.L.			
Guatemala	Robert Wood	Minnedosa	Jan. 12, 1951
Georgia	W. A. Prugh	Brandon	June 5, 1947
Honduras	A. G. Cowan	Winnipeg	Oct. 17, 1930
Idaho	S. J. Sametz	Winnipeg	Mar. 7, 1949
Illinois	W. R. Leslie	Morden	June 21, 1931
Indiana	R. E. Emmett	St. James	Apr. 3, 1944
Iowa	G. A. McMorran	Souris	May 28, 1953
Ireland	H. Coddington	Winnipeg	Oct. 14, 1950
Kansas	John Cuthill	Winnipeg	Feb. 27, 1953
Kentucky	J. D. McKinlay	Winnipeg	May 23, 1951
Louisiana	Chas. E. Cole	Portage la Prairie	Feb. 28, 1938
Maine	W. D. Harper	Winnipeg	Jan. 19, 1937
Maryland	David Ferguson	Moosehorn	Nov. 5, 1945
Massachusetts	P. G. Hawkins	Winnipeg	Jan. 17, 1951
Mexico, York G.L.	M. A. Nitikman	Winnipeg	May 23, 1940
Michigan	A. J. Sawatsky	Morris	May 23, 1949
Minnesota	F. H. Blythe	Winnipeg	Feb. 5, 1952
Mississippi	J. Reid Glenn	Winnipeg	Dec. 20, 1951
Missouri	T. C. Jackson	Winnipeg	Mar. 9, 1953
Montana	M. S. Watson	Deloraine	Feb. 26, 1941
Nebraska	N. Rothstein	Winnipeg	Mar. 22, 1951
Netherlands	W. E. Glover	Roland	May 2, 1953
Nevada	J. P. Mowat	Winnipeg	June 30, 1950
New Brunswick	R. A. McKenzie	Roland	May 16, 1949
New Hampshire	W. D. G. Runions	Winnipeg	Nov. 22, 1948
New Jersey	Dave Rothstein	Winnipeg	Feb. 20, 1953
New Mexico	H. B. Donnelly	St. Vital	July 10, 1937
New South Wales	I. Zipursky	Winnipeg	1953
New York	G. A. Woodside	Winnipeg	May 14, 1952
New Zealand	S. Burland	St. Vital	May 22, 1937
North Carolina	Robt. Peel	Miniota	Sept. 4, 1941
North Dakota	W. C. McDonald	Roland	Feb. 28, 1953
Norway	Walle Larsson	Winnipeg	Apr. 25, 1952
Nova Scotia	D. S. Woods	St. Norbert	Oct. 13, 1926
Ohio	A. E. Boyle	Winnipeg	June 10, 1924
Oklahoma	D. W. Smith	Portage la Prairie	Jan. 16, 1950
Oregon	J. W. Bringhurst	Winnipeg	Mar. 24, 1952
Panama	Walter Dalzell	Portage la Prairie	Jan. 10, 1951
Paraiba	Alex. Campbell	Winnipeg	June 15, 1946

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Grand Lodge	Representative	Address	Date
Philippine Islands	John Livesey	Swan River	May 22, 1947
Puerto Rico	G. V. Henderson	Strathclair	July 5, 1941
Prince Edward Island	F. B. Lynes	Crystal City	June 3, 1948
Quebec	H. T. Waters	Winnipeg	May 17, 1940
Queensland	G. P. Fairbairn	Winnipeg	Aug. 23, 1948
Rhode Island	J. R. C. Evans	Brandon	Oct. 18, 1945
Rio de Janeiro	H. L. Morrow	Melita	
Santa Domingo	E. L. White	Winnipeg	
Saskatchewan	H. H. Gray	Winnipeg	Nov. 10, 1948
Scotland	Wm. Douglas	Winnipeg	Feb. 11, 1936
Sao Paulo	E. B. Litz	Rathwell	Aug. 20, 1951
South Australia	J. J. Allen	Winnipeg	Feb. 21, 1950
South Carolina	W. M. Frame	Souris	Mar. 27, 1953
South Dakota	Jas. Wardrope	Winnipeg	Apr. 10, 1945
Tasmania	T. L. Dodsworth	Winnipeg	July 21, 1945
Tennessee	J. S. MacEwing	Treherne	Oct. 15, 1913
Texas	H. G. Kilpatrick	Binscarth	Feb. 14, 1941
Utah	D. MacDonald	Ninette	May 24, 1941
Vermont	F. K. Purdie	Griswold	May 13, 1932
Victoria	A. R. Dick	W.Kildonan	Apr. 8, 1953
Virginia	Clarence Hyde	Portage la Prairie	Nov 25, 1948
Washington	G. R. Mackay	Winnipeg	May 20, 1929
West Virginia	David Griffith	Fort Garry	Nov. 27, 1944
Western Australia	J. B. McClure	St. Vital	Sept. 17, 1948
Wisconsin	N. M. Hall	Winnipeg	May 7, 1945

MASONIC REVIEWS
1952-1953

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

HUGH M. KERR
Chairman

The following reviews cover
all Grand Lodge Proceedings received
to June 1st, 1953

ALBERTA, Grand Master, 1952.

I have been agreeably impressed by the attendance and the apparent lively interest in Masonry that I have found existing, particularly in the rural areas. In no instance have I encountered any indication of a lack of harmony and good will among the brethren. In a very few cases there has been in the past some unfortunate misunderstanding and friction. I am pleased to be able to report that these have been happily ironed out and now the brethren are meeting and working together in peace and harmony.

As a result of the increase in population, particularly in our cities and towns, and I believe an increased interest in Masonry, some of our City Lodges have grown in membership to the point where, in my opinion, they are becoming very much too large to render the best service to and retain the interest of their members. The Lodges in the rural areas are in an advantageous position in that regard, in that their memberships are not so large and there are opportunities for the work to be distributed among the members, and furthermore there is a more intimate acquaintanceship. There are in the cities a great number of unaffiliated Masons who have come from other jurisdictions and who do not feel attracted to the large Lodges. Again, newer members too often feel a lack of opportunity for advancement and intimate acquaintanceship and therefore naturally lose interest. I am happy to note that a move has started towards the formation of new Lodges and I know that many of those unaffiliated brothers are finding homes there. May the good work continue.

We are deeply concerned today by the state of confusion and frustration which exists in the world. We view with alarm the apparent increase in the influence and domination of a philosophy of life which is based on purely materialistic and atheistic principles and which is diametrically opposed to our conception of life. While this is most disturbing, I wonder sometimes if we are placing the emphasis in the wrong place.

Not long ago a Gallup Poll was taken on the question of whether the greater menace facing the world today is Communism or the breakdown of moral standards. Communism won the poll by a small margin, but I wonder if the latter is not the greater menace.

The pages of history afford ample evidence of results which follow the breakdown of moral and spiritual values. Civilizations after Civilizations have risen in the history of the world and have flourished for a time, but because they were either founded on principles which left God out of the picture or drifted into moral and spiritual debasement, they have gone down to ruin. It would seem that while we must of necessity defend ourselves with force, we must also remember that if our so called Christian Democracy is to continue, it must be based on those fundamental principles laid down for our guidance in the volume of the Sacred Law. In this, we as Masons have a great responsibility. This grand old Fraternity has existed for all these years, because it is well founded and because it has a mission to perform. It is not the purpose of Masonry, nor can it by its very nature attempt to impose its way of life on the world by any united campaign, but we as individual Masons can, by practicing in our daily lives those excellent principles which are inculcated within our Lodges, make our contribution to the building of a better world.

The great purpose of Masonry is the building of character and service to our fellow men. It is through the acquisition of a knowledge of the teachings of Masonry and our practical application of that knowledge to our daily lives that Masons acquire the art of living in harmony with and in service to our fellow men. If only the world could be brought to view life in this light, the golden age of peace and prosperity would soon dawn on this troubled world.

We Canadians live in a land richly blessed by Providence with material resources in untold measure. We enjoy liberty, freedom and the right to think and act and worship as we wish. We believe in the spiritual things and the fundamental freedoms which are the right of all men. Let us not become so engrossed with material things that we forget the other. If we do this then right will trimuph in the end. To doubt this were to lose faith in ourselves and in the Great Architect of the Universe.

May I close with these words of that great Christian Indian, Rabindranath Tagore:

"Where the mind is without fear and the head is held
high;

Where knowledge is free;

Where the world has not been broken up into fragments
by narrow domestic walls;

Where words come out from the depth of truth;

Where tireless striving stretches its arms towards perfection;

Where the clear stream of reason has not lost its way into the dreary desert sand of dead habit;

Where the mind is led forward by Thee into ever widening thought and action—

Into that Heaven of freedom, my Father, let my country awake."

HONORARY RANK

M. W. Bro. Sam Harris, M.W. Grand Master: As I have remarked on previous occasions we are all delighted to have visitors with us regardless of what part of the world they come from. We have several visitors from other grand jurisdictions, some of whom have not visited us before and I would beg to move that the Grand Lodge of Alberta confer an honor upon these visitors to show that we appreciate their attendance with us. I would move that the rank of Honorary Past Grand Master be conferred on Gordon McMorran, Grand Master of Manitoba.

CANADA (in Ontario), Grand Master, 1952.

It has been the custom of most Grand Masters to comment on international, national and local affairs. I regret that I am unable to offer much encouragement for "lasting peace." During the past year the "shooting" war in Korea has ebbed and flowed somewhat spasmodically. We were encouraged by discussions for an armistice; but the prolonged negotiations, the "jockeying" for favourable positions and terms, and the general absence of a "give-and-take" attitude have made us question the motives behind these long talks which have shown such little progress.

The so-called "Cold War" has abated but little, and often tends to flare up in unexpected places. International tension necessitates huge expenditures for defence by all nations, and particularly by those whose chief desires are to efface the scars of war and settle down to peaceful pursuits. The ever-increasing taxation, a large portion of which is for protective measures; the piling up of permanent defence forces and armaments; and the incessant propaganda. which is far from peaceful and conciliatory; all these tend to increase the uncertainty of the future. The mounting emotional strain and the continued pressure on local and national economy might easily create conditions which might place our civilization in the throes of another mighty international catastrophe.

During the last quarter of the nineteenth century and the first half of the twentieth, there has been phenomenal progress in industrial development, in commercial enterprise, in facilities for communication, and in many other phases of material achievement. For over two generations there have been ever-increasing attempts to solve local, national and international problems through the application of economic principles, rules and regulations. That time-honoured adage, "Man shall not live by bread alone," has almost been forgotten in the great struggle for economic survival. The tendency has been to emphasize the importance of financial, or other material rewards, and there seems to have been a slackening of interest in things which are fundamental in the development of the church, the home and the community.

I fully realize that much progress has been made in attempting to overcome hardships caused by, or contingent upon, the unequal distribution of wealth, the tendency towards class distinctions, and the differences in opportunity. There has been much legislation creating benefits and improvements for all citizens, and more especially for those in the so-called lower income bracket. The baby bonus, old age pensions, unemployment insurance, annuities, accident and health insurance and many other features of governmental assistance have been effective in relieving want and distress.

It is possible, however, that such social legislation may not be an unmitigated blessing. Paternalism, or should I say "maternalism," by governments does not foster the best in private enterprise; it may tend to make the individual somewhat subservient; and it may interfere with personal liberty. Industry, integrity, thrift, and pride in achievement do not appear to have been increased or stimulated. The mounting burden of taxation to meet the demands of paternalism; the increased costs of supporting large numbers of civil servants to administer grants and doles; and agitation for more representation in parliament; all place more and more power and authority with agencies of government. Whether we are willing to admit it or not, we seem to be gradually drifting towards a socialistic, or a communistic, or a totalitarian system of control. I am not arguing for or against any form of government, and I am not opposing useful and beneficial legislation. I am merely pointing out that the use of economic principles in civic, national and international affairs has not been overly successful in settling the problems which have arisen, and which continue to arise, in our allegedly democratic "way of life."

It seems to me that emphasis on financial success, on material advancement, and on national status and pride, has decreased our interest in moral and spiritual welfare. Our efforts to secure the necessities and luxuries which a material age provides; the hustle and bustle of business enterprises; and the seeking of relaxations in commercialized entertainment; all these have left little time for meditation on the fundamentals of a really happy and joyful existence.

History bears witness to the fact that many civilizations have flourished and disappeared. Invariably their fall has been preceded by periods of material prosperity, associated with a marked decline in social, moral and spiritual codes. Many thoughtful students see in the present situation a grave tendency towards deterioration, if, indeed, not disintegration, in our present civilization. They claim that the future is dark unless there is a revival of interest in, and emphasis on, moral and spiritual values.

Recently, several commentators have been inclined to refer to the reduction in area of the British Empire and to the partial loss of power and supremacy of Great Britain in industry and finance, as indicative of the collapse of our present-day civilization; but such a claim appears to me too drastic and too pessimistic.

During the early years of two Great World Wars, Great Britain stood alone and bore unflinchingly the onslaught of a vicious and power-crazed enemy. Economically the burden was tremendous and almost unbearable, but there was no shaking of the moral fibre of the nation. The courage of the people, the high qualities of leadership, the ready response to sacrifice, and the passionate adherence to the ideals of freedom never failed; and are shining examples of a strong and inherent character.

The United States, whose material resources were untouched by the destructive bombing and ravages of a voracious enemy, has attained industrial, material and financial supremacy. This great nation of Anglo-Saxon origin, motivated by the fundamental principles, inherent in all peoples who love freedom, has shown great capacity for leadership, and appears to realize her great responsibility to a war-torn world. Is it too much to hope that the countries of the United Nations may, with patience and steadfast resolution, redirect this restless world into the paths of personal liberty, and into a renewed, reinvigorated and revitalized civilization?

Edwards Gibbon in his "The Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire" indicated several causes for the collapse of the civilization of that time, and the resultant "Dark Ages" in Europe. Joseph Fort Newton has summarized these as follows:

"The rapid increase of divorce, and the undermining of the sanctity of the home; higher and higher taxes and the spending of public monies for bread and circuses; the mad craze for pleasure with sport becoming more exciting and brutal; the building of gigantic armaments when the real enemy was within, in the decadence of the people; and the decay of religion, faith fading into a mere form, losing touch with life and becoming impotent to guide it."

As I have previously indicated some of these tendencies appear to be developing at a rather alarming rate; but it is not too late to review the situation and apply restrictive and corrective remedies. Changes must come in any progressive society; but surely the good, thoughtful peoples of the world can be "masters of their fate."

There is a role for Masonry in the re-birth of peace and in the recovery of a clear concept of a proper basis for a full and satisfactory life. Our Fraternity is founded on a belief in the existence and guidance of a Supreme Being, on the brotherhood of Man, and on the recognition of personal liberty. There are over three and one half millions of Masons on this continent. What a tremendous influence for good they can exert by precept and example! Let us, as Masons, so live and act that we may encourage and re-establish in ourselves, in our children and in our children's children, the principle that right-thinking, right-speaking, and right-acting are fundamental in the highest type of civilization. Only by such a gradual process of education may we insure the continuance of that objective of our Craft—"To be happy ourselves and to communicate that happiness to others."

In concluding, may I again emphasize the great opportunities which we, as Masons, have for the betterment of ourselves and the influencing of society in good works.

It is not too pessimistic to assert that our religious organizations need support and encouragement. They need our assistance in their attempts to combat the material tendencies which are disrupting our fundamental principles. We need one day each week for rest, meditation and devotional exercises, and I believe we will do well to resist the making of the Sabbath a day of commercial activity. We may be accused of failing to take a "realistic attitude" towards modern civilizations, but my experience tends to support the claim that this "realism" is based largely on selfishness, and lack of desire to meet those conditions which mean real progress.

May I urge you to think about these religious and spiritual things. Cyrus E. Albertson has expressed some excellent thoughts in a stanza entitled "Church."

"A room of quiet . . . A temple of peace,
The home of faith . . . where doubtings cease.

A home of comfort . . . where hope is given;
A source of strength . . . to make earth heaven;

A shrine of worship . . . A place to pray——
I found all this . . . in my church today."

May I also call your attention to our family and home life. The pressing demands of material affairs have compelled both parents to seek employment. Their children are cared for during the day in pre-kindergarten schools and institutions, and are looked after in many instances, by the "baby sitter" at night. These young people lack the care, discipline and love associated with a good home, and rapidly become regimented into the routine of an institution. They tend to lose their independence, and expect to be told what to do; they fail to appreciate the necessity of self-support through honest endeavour; and the conditions are laid for their reception of false or questionable doctrines which do not emphasize the fundamental liberties and freedom of our accepted civilization. We might well give thought to these problems involving our future citizens.

ENGLAND, Grand Master, 1952.

A VISIT TO FREEMASONS' HALL BY H.M. QUEEN ELIZABETH THE QUEEN MOTHER.

The M.W. The Grand Master: Brethren, before we close Grand Lodge, there are two or three matters of which I should like to inform you, and I will do so briefly.

On October 28th, Freemasons' Hall was honoured by a visit from H.M. Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother. Her Majesty spent a great part of the morning being shown all around the building, and her visit will not soon be forgotten by those who had the pleasure and privilege of being with her on that day.

RECOVERY OF MINUTE BOOKS AND DOCUMENTS OF LODGES IN JERSEY, LOST DURING ENEMY OCCUPATION

The M.W. The Grand Master: Next, Brethren, I should like to tell you of an interesting event which has occurred. The Grand Master of the Grand East of the Netherlands, on a recent visit to London, brought with him the Minute Books and other documents belonging to certain of our Lodges in Jersey. They were found among property taken from Holland by the Germans during the occupation, and thanks to the great kindness of the Grand Master of the Grand East of the Netherlands they have been returned to us, and have now been restored to their original owners in Jersey.

INDIANA, Grand Master, 1952.

Thus ends the report of my actions and the conduct of the affairs of your Grand Lodge under my leadership. I submit it in the hope that it will meet with your approval.

The past twelve months have been busy ones, yet I believe I can truthfully say the happiest of my life. My experiences have been pleasant, thanks to your kindness and co-operation. I am deeply grateful to Almighty God for the health and strength to carry through. I hope that I have accomplished some good which will honor Freemasonry and be beneficial to your land and mine.

In a time of national and international tension and strife, economic instability, and moral and spiritual degeneration in high places, I have constantly tried to impress upon my Masonic Brethren the duty and responsibility of all Freemasons to make a practical application of the moral, spiritual and civic principles of Freemasonry. It has seemed to me that if these good principles are valuable in the Lodge, then they ought to be made available through precept and example for the benefit of all mankind.

Our mission as Masons is to promote the liberty, freedom and opportunity established for us by the blood, sacrifice and devotion of our Masonic forefathers, and the method of such promotion by Freemasonry is by the building of individual character among its members and the practical demonstration of that character for the inspiration of all good citizens.

Humanity cries for peace and there is no peace. All the world is at war or in mental dread of becoming involved in war. We are engaged in a mighty effort to arm for war and the armament race bids fair to bring financial disaster. Yet guns, tanks, planes and battleships have never yet prevented war, and they never will prevent war, necessary as they may be under the present conditions of distrust among nations.

The only hope of peace lies in the practice of the great Masonic ideal of brotherly love, a brotherly love that will embrace all men of all races and all nationalities and which alone can bring about that universal brotherhood of man, which is the last best hope of a war-torn, sick and weary world.

And so as I have gone up and down the length and breadth of our fair Indiana, I have earnestly urged my Masonic Brethren to put into practice outside of the Lodge as well as behind tiled doors the great Masonic principles of morality, charity and brotherly love to the end that we may demonstrate through our good citizenship our attachment to these principles and make Freemasonry a great and powerful bulwark for the preservation and diffusion of liberty, freedom and opportunity for all men everywhere, and lead the way to peace and happiness through the universal brotherhood of man. Thus and thus only can we hope for peace on earth among men of good will.

May God bless our efforts.

IOWA, Grand Master, 1952.

In no period of history have our responsibilities as true men and Masons been greater than now. Many forces of evil are loose in the world seeking to set man against man and nation against nation. The ugly head of hatred, injustice, and intolerance is seen in the world today and is persecuting innocent people because of their race, creed, and religious opinions.

In many countries dominated by totalitarian dictators, Freemasonry has been abolished largely because of its high ideals of democracy, religious freedom, and free public education for all its citizens. To preserve these ideals will require the united effort of all humanity loving and spiritually minded men and Masons. To furnish the leadership necessary to place human values and happiness as the first requisite to contentment and peace for all mankind is our responsibility.

Freemasonry has ever builded solidly on the foundation of truth, justice, equity, brotherly love, tolerance, and understanding. If our leadership today were governed by these principles and they were made the basis of relationship between nation and nation, there would be peace on earth and good will toward all men. The mission of our great Order has always been to build its Temples in the hearts of men.

Masonry's contribution in these troubled times will be measured by the way each of us live our life in conformity to Masonic teaching and the service rendered to the common good of all. Each of us must search his heart and make earnest contribution toward the building of humanity as a tolerant and enlightened brotherhood of mankind.

CONDITION OF THE CRAFT

In my travels throughout the State, I have been privileged to meet with the brethren in gatherings of various kinds and to partake of the fine Masonic Spirit that has prevailed. There is an apparent desire on the part of the Craft to improve in Masonic knowledge and to enjoy the fellowship that comes from a meeting of brother Masons.

A spirit of optimism was in evidence in most places, with peace and harmony prevailing. However, I would not wish to convey the impression that we have reached a State of Perfection in our endeavors. Here and there are found conditions that we should seek to correct.

Again, as Grand Masters in the past have done, I wish to call your attention to the fact that we have many weak Lodges that find it difficult to establish and carry out a program of activities that will hold Masonic interest. This situation will need our continued attention.

I find, with disappointment, some Lodges that take little or no interest in group activities for study of the Ritual or make use of the services of the Iowa Committee on Masonic Education. This, I feel, is a great mistake on the part of the Officership of such Lodges. Here is an opportunity to develop interest through leadership.

To make progress, a Lodge must have a well-rounded program that will serve the entire membership. All do not appreciate the same type of program: some are interested in Ritual, some in Masonic talks, and others in social activities.

I suggest to the subordinate Lodge that it will give serious thought to this to the end that its program will be interesting, instructive, and constructive. The problem is largely one of leadership which the individual Lodge should seek to establish.

KENTUCKY, Grand Master, 1951.

T.W. Wash Lodge No. 430, Gravel Switch, Ky., July 20, 1951.

Question: "A demitted brother of this Lodge has petitioned for re-admittance. He demitted some three or four years ago. This petition was presented to the Lodge at its last regular communication. Upon motion the ballot was spread. Before the ballot was taken, there was some discussion about it being laid over to the next regular communication, which is a regular lunar month, a committee appointed for investigation and the ballot be spread then.

"This was not done and the ballot was spread. South reported one too many ballots. West did not count ballots, East reported 14 white and 7 black balls. Tiler was called to vote and refused. It was suggested by Master to lay over to next regular meeting and write you for advice and instructions.

"Can a new ballot be spread? The Tiler was called to vote and refused, should he vote if called? The Official Tiler was working inside lodge room and the duly appointed Tiler at the door refused to vote. Official Tiler voted in lodge room as others did. The duly appointed Tiler was called to vote and refused.

"With this information can a new ballot be spread and should it be spread or must a new petition be accepted? If so, how long time? Should demitted petitioner be held to next regular communication?"

Answer: You state that the petitioner demitted some three or four years ago. You further state that ballot was taken at the same meeting in which the petition was presented. You also state a number of irregularities in the Officers reporting on the number of ballots. However, your only report on the ballot showed 14 white and 7 black balls.

It is my opinion that a new ballot should not be spread for this petitioner. The Book of Constitution calls for a period of waiting for six months before this man can again petition your lodge.

LOUISIANA, Grand Master, 1952.

IN APPRECIATION

During this year that I have served you as Grand Master it has been by far the most interesting in my forty-two and one-half years in the Masonic Fraternity. Each and every moment has been a most pleasant one—this I attribute to "my friends" throughout the State—the Masons of Louisiana.

"To have a good friend is one of the highest delights of life; to be a good friend is one on the noblest and most difficult undertakings. Friendship depends not upon fancy, imagination or sentiment, but upon character. There is no man so poor that he is not rich if he have a friend; there is no man so rich that he is not poor without a friend. But friendship is a word to cover many kindly impermanent relationships. Real Friendship is abiding. Like charity, it suffereth long and is kind. Like love, it vaunteth not itself, but pursues the even tenor of its way, unaffrighted by ill-report, loyal in adversity, the solvent of infelicity, the shining jewel of happy days. Friendship has not the iridescent joys of love, though it is closer than is often known to the highest truest love. Its heights are ever serene, its valleys know few clouds. To aspire to friendship one must cultivate a capacity for faithful affection, a beautiful disinterestedness, a clear discernment. Friendship is a gift, but it is also an acquirement. It is like the rope with which climbers in the high mountains bind themselves for safety, and only a coward cuts the rope when a comrade is in danger. From Cicero to Emerson, and long before Cicero and forever after Emerson, the praises of friendship have been set forth. Even fragments of friendship are precious and to be treasured. But to have a whole, real friend is the greatest of earth gifts save one. To be a whole real friend is worthy high endeavor, for faith, truth. courage and loyalty bring one close to the Kingdom of Heaven."

The Grand Master presented several of our distinguished visitors, all of whom extended their appreciation to the Grand Lodge for the reception accorded them, and also spoke briefly on some of their experiences in their own jurisdictions and in each case their remarks were received with enthusiasm by the delegates present:

R.W. Bro. Alex Campbell of "The Assiniboine Lodge" 114, of Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, Past D.D.G.M. of that Jurisdiction, was introduced to the Grand Lodge and his visit so recorded.

MISSOURI, Grand Master, 1952.

In studying the problems of our average-size and small Lodges it is evident that few of them are sending their Wardens to Grand Lodge, and this is easy to understand since the Grand Lodge does not normally pay any of their expenses.

An analysis of the records over a period of years indicates there is an average of approximately 80 Junior Wardens and approximately 100 Senior Wardens from our 596 lodges who attend the annual session, and that a large number of these Junior and Senior Wardens are from the larger Lodges.

However, all Lodges would benefit very much by sending their Wardens, since this is an unusual opportunity for these officers to become familiar with Freemasonry on a state-wide level and, therefore, go back to their Lodges enthused about plans for one or two more years of active leadership in their Lodges. When only the Master attends Grand Lodge, his administration is usually about over and he has limited opportunities to profit from his experience. At every opportunity this year this has been stressed and I am sincerely recommending that some program be adopted which will encourage more of our Wardens to be at our annual session, particularly those from the smaller Lodges who normally do not attend.

MISSISSIPPI, Grand Master, 1952.

All good things must come to an end. Every Poet has his swan song. Every writer his 30. So I write my final lines. However, not before expressing my faith in the future of our Great Fraternity and in the fine leadership that will be ours during the next year. It will be a pleasure and an honor for me to hand over the Grand Master's jewel on tomorrow, to my good friend Watt Carter. My one wish is that I shall be able to give him the wholehearted co-operation which he has given me. I shall always be grateful to him and to all you wonderful Masons for the many courtesies shown me and for the privilege of serving you as Grand Master.

The future of our Fraternity, as well as our very lives can be very ably expressed in the words of Abe Lincoln.

> "With firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right, let us strive to finish the work we are now in . . . to do all which may achieve a just and lasting peace among ourselves and with all nations."

MISSISSIPPI, Grand Lecturer, 1952.

LETTING DOWN THE BARS

There seems to be less care in accepting Petitions for the Degrees in Masonry than formerly was exercised by our forebears. They took the charge to the Entered Apprentice seriously. When someone asked a friend who was a Mason to recommend him to the Lodge for admission into the sublime teaching of Masonry, our forefathers within my recollection, were particularly careful NOT to recommend him, unless the Mason thought that the petitioner was a man of upright walk and deportment.

If a friend who is not walking uprightly, according to Masonic standards, as set forth in its teachings, asks a Mason to recommend him, he should be told that it would be useless to present his petition unless, and until, he should correct his way of living. This would be a kindness to the petitioner; for, if he had a modicum of self-respect left, he would be startled at the thought that he had fallen so low that the great Masonic Fraternity would not accept him as a member. Or the person might be told frankly that it is of no use to take his petition in until he shows proper reformation. He may argue with you that the rumors are false. If so, tell him to rid himself of the rumors, for rumors of immoral conduct are detrimental to Freemasonry, regardless of the guilt or innocence of the petitioner. As a matter of fact, if we receive a man of immoral character, we become a partner in his evil doings.

The Masonic Lodge is not a reformatory. Reformation should precede and not succeed Initiation.

No doubt the use of the blackball has been abused, but one is obligated by his regard for the true principles of Freemasonry to use it to reject unsuitable material. Lodges have initiated men known to be guilty of conduct for which they would be expelled on trial. No Lodge ever went defunct because of carefully screening its membership. Regardless of the prominence of those who petition, or of those who recommend, the blackball should be used, when necessary, so that the world at large may be convinced of the integrity of the Ancient Fraternity.

When a Master Mason recommends an immoral person to be made a Mason, he, to some extent, becomes a party to his immorality, and, in the eyes of the brethren, lowers his standard to the level of the petitioner. Certainly, it is tantamount to saying that his immorality is of no consequence and that the applicant's standards of living are as high as the Masonic standards, as interpreted by the one who recommends. Furthermore, some uninformed Mason MIGHT vote for a man because of the indorsement of his character given to the Lodge by those who recommend him.

Any Mason who brings in a petition of a man of doubtful reputation or morals thereby sows seeds of dissension. He may even think the rejection is a personal reflection upon himself. Then, men take sides and the breach widens.

It is much easier to keep an immoral man out than it is to get him out; especially, if he is socially, politically, or financially prominent. Getting him out disrupts the Lodge. Keeping him in destroys its usefulness in that community. No Lodge can condone immorality and function properly as a Masonic Lodge should, and as the public expects, and as all true Masons know.

"If, in the circle of your acquaintance, you find a person desirous of being initiated into Freemasonry, be particularly attentive not to recommend him unless you are convinced that he will conform to our rules, that the honor, glory, and and reputation of the Institution may be firmly established, and the world at large convinced of its good effects."

"*Remove Not The Ancient Landmark Which thy Fathers Have Set.*"

NEW BRUNSWICK, Grand Master, 1951.

FAITH

Faith in certain fundamentals has carried our people to a very high level of spiritual and material well being. No claim is made or should be, that we have achieved the ultimate. The fundamentals by which we achieved an undreamed richness of heritage are: Belief and faith in God—Belief and faith in the individual—Belief and faith in works. These faiths have led to development of a system of government and in a code of conduct, undergirded by a set of written rights and responsibilities which stand the test side by side with other forms of religious structure. Allegiance to these faiths held and strengthened through the years. At this most historic time, when our ideals are being seriously assailed again, it is time to re-state our faith in those elementary faiths—all anchored in the first "Belief and Faith in God." And since no faith is deeper than the work it generates, it is a good idea to take a look at the work as represented by the segment that we do something about; we individually and we in our social groups. We as individuals and as a group must maintain our allegiance to these fundamental faiths and strive to live them in our works.

NEW HAMPSHIRE, Grand Master, 1952.

We meet at a critical time in the history of human affairs. We meet at a time when a continued existence of our democratic way of life, when civilization itself is threatened by an ideology utterly incompatible with our free institutions, an ideology so foreign to the idealistic principles of the Masonic fraternity that the two can hardly exist in the same area. The guns of war, silenced for a brief space, resume their horrible search for human targets. Aggression, rearing its ugly head once more, must be suppressed. Our brethren and our sons are sacrificing their lives that freedom loving peoples everywhere and the generations to come may dwell in honorable peace. The cry of humanity is for peace and good will among men, for the universal practice of those fundamental principles of morality and brotherly love which are the essence of Masonic teaching. Masonry must be strong because it is one of the potent forces for good in this great struggle between contesting ideologies. A hundred years ago when the storm clouds were heavy over these United States a great New England poet expressed our responsibilities to all freedom loving peoples in these immortal lines:

"Sail on, sail on, O Ship of State.
Sail on, O Union, strong and great.
Humanity, with all its fears,
With all the hopes of future years,
Is hanging breathless on thy fate."

"Is hanging breathless on thy fate." There is our responsibility today as then. Whether we welcome it or not, the responsibility is ours as Americans and as Masons. God grant that the teachings of Masonry may so strengthen our moral fibre that we may be equal to the task before us. Let us approach the business of this meeting with the full consciouness that nothing must shatter our unity of thought and purpose and with a complete determination to be strong and united.

Today our nation stands at the most critical point in its long and glorious history. Far away in distant Korea our sons are fighting a cruel and ruthless enemy. No man can prophesy where or when aggression will once more rear its ugly head. On the home front conscienceless and determined fanatics seek constantly to undermine and destroy our American way of life of which Masonry and all it stands for is such an integral part.

As your Grand Master I have spoken whenever opportunity offered in Lodge meetings, Lodges of instruction, or anniversary celebrations, deeming it to be my duty to bring to the attention of my brethren this struggle to the death between clashing ideologies; to trace for them as simply as possible the growth of the American dream of a fair land of equal opportunity where men worship God according to the dictates of their own consciences, believe in the sancity of the individual human soul, are tolerant, just and imbued with a real spirit of brotherhood. I have felt impelled to warn them of the danger to their country and to Masonry which lies in the evil ideology of Communism. This ideology denies the existence of God, makes a mockery of brotherhood, scorns every idea of the sancity of the individual, believes that might makes right and teaches that the bigger the lie the better its chances of success.

Although bullets and bombs and battleships may win an engagement or even a war, they cannot in the long run beat an idea. An idea is the most powerful force on earth. Communism is an evil, a bad idea. The only thing that can beat a bad idea is a better idea, and in the teachings of the churches of whatever denomination and in the teachings of such great fraternal organizations as ours we have that better idea.

As Masons we must practice assiduously out of the Lodges those great moral virtues which are inculcated in it. Shoulder to shoulder with the churches we can, through more intensive practice of our principles, stem the decline in public, business and personal morality. We must, as good Masons, support the churches of whatever denomination. We must, as good Masons, be good citizens. Ours is a great heritage. We are in danger of losing it if we do not bring to the struggle something of the high moral purpose and something of the burning passion for freedom which actuated the founding fathers.

NEW JERSEY, Grand Master, 1952.

My Brethren of Grand Lodge:

Fifty years ago Brother Rudyard Kipling wrote a poem to which he gave the title "The Palace," but which might be called "The Rise and Retirement of a Grand Master."

> "When I was a King and a Mason—a Master proven and skilled—
> I cleared me ground for a Palace such as a King should build."

Kipling then describes how the King and Mason dug down to create the foundations of his palace and came upon the work of bygone craftsmen, finding carven on every stone the phrase:

> "After me cometh the Builder. Tell him, I too have known."

So the stately structure began to rise and as he added his own efforts to that which had been done before, the King mused:

"I read in the razed foundation the heart of that builder's
heart.
As he had risen and pleaded, so did I understand
The form of the dream he had followed in the face of the
thing he had planned."

But the cycle of time was completed for the King:

"They said—'The end is forbidden.' They said—'Thy
use is fulfilled.
'Thy Palace shall stand as that other's—the spoil of a
King who shall build,' "

So the King called his men from their labors, but as his final act tells us:

"Only I cut on the timber—only I carve on the stone:
'After me cometh a Builder. Tell him, I too have
known.' "

We are gathered together, my brethren, at this One Hundred and Sixty-fifth General Assembly of Masons in New Jersey to deliberate upon the affairs of Freemasonry. We have received a rich heritage from the years that are gone. We hold in our hands the destiny of our Craft and what we do will leave some imprint upon our Order for all eternity. May we be equal to the stern responsibilities of this troublous age and may we go do our duty as men and Masons as the Great Architect gives us to see the right, steadfastly believing that through the history of mankind there runs a great increasing purpose, and that in the fullness of time "The earth shall be filled with the knowledge of God as the waters cover the sea."

NEW YORK, Grand Master, 1952.

In closing my last address as your Grand Master, I wish to leave with you a message of hope and encouragement. Progress is not automatic. The world grows better, only because there are high minded men who will it so, and because they dare strive to make it better. That is Freemasonry.

I am proud of my membership in this fraternity, the greatest in all the world and in history. So far as we know, no organization of men, bound together by the ties of friendship and brotherly love, has ever grown so large or exerted so great an influence. The fact that it has grown; that its ancient Lodges are as active today as they were nearly two centuries ago, proves they are founded upon everlasting rock, and that they have met and continue to meet the spiritual and moral needs of mankind.

I believe in Freemasonry, because it is helping to make this old world of ours better than it has been. I firmly believe the world is getting better; that there is more charity among men than ever before; that there is a greater disposition to extend a helping hand to those who are down, and to lift them to a higher and purer life. I believe this condition is true, largely because the spiritual and moral precepts of Freemasonry are being instilled into the hearts of all mankind. It is not high position; it is not social standing or eloquent oratory that will determine the future status of humanity, but nobler things—greatness of heart, higher ideals and inspirations.

Freemasonry is one of the fairest flowers in all the gardens of the earth. Its fragrance comes of a distillation of friendship, charity and love, which in turn are the product of such an association as our own, where men clasp hands in Fraternal greeting, and help each other to live useful and happy lives.

Freemasonry is merciful when it encounters the guilty, compassionate when it stoops to lift the fallen; denies self when it faces the needy, and tender when it mingles with the bereaved. This, my Brethren, is my philosophy of Freemasonry. From the depths of my heart I ask that the Great Architect of the Universe may continue to look with favour upon our beloved Fraternity.

NEW ZEALAND, Grand Master, 1951.

Brethren, during the course of the years every aspect of Freemasonry has been dealt with by my predecessors in office, many of them approaching their subject with great learning and skill. The ground that I propose to cover has no doubt been traversed many times in their speeches, but any weariness of repetition will be tempered by the brevity of my address.

In our ritual we have Freemasonry defined as a peculiar system of morality, veiled in allegory and illustrated by symbols. I wonder how many of us pause to reflect on the significance of the words used in this definition. Why a peculiar system? In any system of ethical teaching it is customary to proceed by direct methods, to examine the advantages and disadvantages of modes of conduct, and to arrive at the conclusion that they are right or wrong. The result is not always satisfactory, for changes in conditions often brings changes in public attitude towards moral principles and conduct. Indeed, it has been claimed that there is hardly a virtue which at some time in the world's history has has not been regarded as a vice, nor a vice, which at some time or place has not been regarded as a virtue. Most of us here have seen the changes brought about in our attitude towards moral problems and conduct by two wars, and if the moralist of the Victorian age were with us now he would be shocked at the attitude adopted to many moral questions by men of honour and integrity today. Happily, there are moral qualities which we would all agree are as unchanging and eternal as the hills. It is to such qualities that Freemasonry directs the attention of its candidates—Uprightness, Benevolence, Charity, Loyalty, Fidelity, Patriotism.

Our method of teaching is allegorical—that is, we teach under the guise of another subject, operative masonry, whence arises the name that designates our Order—Freemasonry. From the operative mason we borrow the tools of trade, and many of his expressions to illustrate our lessons.

From time immemorial man has marvelled at the beauty and perfection of the work of the architect, and of the builder who translated his dreams into reality. The Assyrians, the Egyptians, the Greeks, and the Romans, among a multitude of other nations, have erected structures before which we stand in awe. The perfection of the draftsmanship, the splendour of the adornments, the balance and the proportions could hardly be emulated today, even aided by the intricate machinery that lightens the labour of man, and the wider knowledge of materials brought about by the research of the scientist through the years. It is but natural that man should contemplate these structures, marvel at the ingenuity of the minds that devised them, admire the skill of the craftsmen who built them, and moralise upon the tools they used and upon those enduring principles within whose bounds their labours ever lay. It was but a step to the comprehending mind of man to apply these principles and these instruments not to the construction of material edifices but to the ideal of building up human character and directing moral conduct among men of good will, and of forming societies where these principles could be put into practice. Thus from the operative mason there arose the Free and Accepted or Speculative Masons who form our Masonic craft today.

A candidate for admission, having been prepared in his heart, makes his first entrance in darkness, to have revealed to him the great emblematical lights of Freemasonry, foremost of which is the Volume of the Sacred Law, the infallible and unchanging guide in every difficulty. He is taught that his conduct must henceforth be governed by the exacting standards of the Square, the Level, the Plumbrule, and the Compasses, and just as each in its field is a perfect gauge, so must his future conduct be exemplary. Step by step, the moral significance of all the emblems in Freemasonry is carefully explained to him. His moral responsibility to assist those of his brethren who have fallen upon evil days is revealed in language beautiful, dignified, and impressive. By means of the Working Tools the lessons of industry are taught. Step by step, as his horizon widens, he is led to comprehend the great lessons of life, his probation culminating in the enactment of the splendid drama illustrating the fidelity of man to the sacred trust reposed in him, one designed to show that life itself is not too great a price to pay to preserve a sacred trust. Nor does it leave him here, but, lifted by the hands of trusted brothers, he is bidden to listen to the voice of reason that tells him that death does not end all, but to the just and upright man is merely the preparation for the initiation into the Grand Lodge above, where the world's great Architect lives and reigns forever.

Who can wonder, then, that from the earliest Days the Craft has numbered in its ranks so many men to whom a life of virtue and of honour seemed the greatest goal of all—men whose charity of mind does not permit them to look down upon a brother who has been unable to live up to the exacting standards of our teachings, knowing that man is but a frail creature assailed by many temptations—men who show their tolerance by never questioning a brother's religious or political convictions—men who extend the hand of friendship to every worthy brother whom they meet on life's highway or within their lodge room walls—men who regard with respect their brethren in the gloaming of their years, when their footsteps falter and their memories play them false.

When, then, can a man be said to be a true Freemason? Not necessarily when he has passed through the ceremony of three degrees, but rather when the teachings of those degrees are reflected in his daily life, so that the uprightness of his mind may be symbolized by the Plumbrule, the rectitude of his actions by the Square, and the generosity of his heart is bounded only be prudence; when his heart is touched with pity for the misfortunes of a brother; when his hand is ever ready with help to those in need; and when his justice holds the scales full counterpoised with mercy. He must have at heart the welfare of the Craft, and be prepared cheerfully to forego his personal Masonic ambitions in the interests of his lodge.

Four hundred years before the birth of Christ, Socrates said: "There are gifts of the heart in which it is base to traffic," and in the Craft there is no place for the self-seeker, but ever honour for those who, without expectation of personal reward, daily strive to build the Temple of Freemasonry higher in their time. Of each of such we may say in the words of Shakespeare "His life was gentle, and the elements so mixed in him that Nature might stand up and say to all the world 'This was a man'."

NEW ZEALAND, Board of General Purposes, 1951.

MASONIC COMPLAINTS

Complaint was made to the Board that a Brother had permitted himself to be elected and installed as Master of a Lodge, knowing that he was not qualified for that position and rank, not having served the office of Warden for twelve months. After preliminary inquiry the Brother concerned was called to appear before the Board. The Board found the charges proved, and resolved that he be suspended till 31st October, 1951, and caused all Lodges to be notified of the suspension. The Board also resolved that he be not enrolled as a member of Grand Lodge and that a Past Master's Certificate be not issued to him. The M.W. the Grand Master was pleased, on the recommendation of the Board, to issue a special dispensation to regularize the proceedings of the Lodge during the period when he purported to act as Master.

Mourning.—Lodges should go into mourning upon the death of the Grand Master, the Pro Grand Master, a Past Grand Master or the Deputy Grand Master.

A Lodge may go into mourning upon the death of a member of the Lodge, or any other Brother, if the Master so directs.

The tokens of mourning in the Lodge should be (1) a black rosette worn on the point of each officer's collar, so as not to obscure his jewel of office, and also (if the Master in his discretion so directs) (2) black drapes over the Master's and Wardens' pedestals, and (3) black rosettes on officers' aprons. Brethren not in office wear black rosettes only if the officers do so. In no case are breast jewels worn. Further display than this is deprecated.

In the refectory musical and vocal entertainment should be omitted. All customary toasts should be proposed, including those to candidates and visiting brethren, and the Memory of our Departed Brother, and customary acknowledgments made, but without "fires" or "musical honours." The Proceedings should terminate with the Tyler's Toast.

Consequently the Board submits for adoption by Grand Lodge the following alterations to Part 1 (Instructions to Lodges) of the Funeral Ceremony printed at page 155 of the Book of Constitution, 1947 Edition:—

> For the last sentence of paragraph 7 substitute:
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> "No breast jewels should be worn. A black rosette should be worn on the point of each officer's collar, so as not to obscure his jewel of office. If the Master in his discretion so directs, black rosettes will be worn on the aprons of all Brethren who walk in the procession."
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> Add the following additional paragraph: "12. The tokens of mourning in the Lodge should be, if the Master in his discretion so directs, black drapes over the Master's and Wardens' pedestals."

NORTH DAKOTA, Grand Master, 1952.

THE MESSAGE

To be granted health sufficient to assume the added responsibility of activities outside our daily occupation is not the result of chance. Nearly four months taken out of one year of our regular vocation to contribute to the worthiness of Masonry is a small price to pay for twenty-five years of vigorous health during which but three consecutive days of illness have been the only physical suffering. With such a gift of physical stability one should welcome the opportunity to repay in some measure the debt of gratitude he owes his Creator.

To be accorded the privilege of serving our fellowmen, beyond the immediate necessity of making our daily bread, is a trust that every human being should gladly embrace. To be honored by the brethren of this noble fraternity with high office is but the occasion to serve, in greater capacity, that great institution whose sole purpose is to make good men better.

To travel through years of manhood in company with those who meet life's challenges and solves its problems; to share with them the victories which bring happiness and laughter; to mourn with them the loss of those brethren who have given selflessly that our heritage might endure; to be associated with men of high character and exalted purpose such as those who staff our Grand Secretariat, all Grand Lodge Committees, District Deputy Grand Masters and officers of constituent Lodges; to sense the moral and spiritual strength of thousands of brothers in this Grand Jurisdiction; to know the value of those sterling neighbors to the North who never fail us; to travel thousands of miles over the United States and Canadian highways while enjoying the beautiful scenery of praries and mountains; all this and more is the rich dividend on an investment of twelve months of glorious association with men of wisdom and purpose. Years of fellowship among those whose living objectives have been the realization of peace and harmony have brought a symphony of living far beyond any material value. It has been comparable to a great overture whose mood has been to solace and comfort while unfolding the depths of a melody, almost, if not spiritual.

Not long ago it was my pleasure to listen to a great orchestra under the direction of a renowned master. Page after page of the score was translated into beautiful tones that soothed and sustained. It seemed that only a soul filled with power to interpret could disclose the hidden secrets of such profound harmony. Following the concert it was my privilege to view the pages of the score and I marvelled at the ability of those musicians who so perfectly interpreted its meaning. Since then this thought came to me; Masonry has a counterpart in that score. Our Great Light, symbols, ritual, land-marks, and all the ancient allegory and legend which reveal to us the beauty and harmony of truth, bring to us the symphony of life if each will learn to interpret and play his part.

In a world beckoning for the restoration of peace on earth, while tyrants mobilize their resources, we find trusted men in high places yielding to temptations for unearned gains; we also find unprincipled tycoons offering bribes to weaken our otherwise responsible government employees; there are others who brazenly defy law and order and set up their own regime in an underworld of malevolence toward organized authority. Yes, these are the citizens who get the headlines and toward whom we point the finger of shame for their discordant tones in the sympathy of nationalism. But wait. What about the millions of citizens who refuse to aid in the apprehension and prosecution of law-violators of lesser degree? What about those who withhold the recording of income from their income-tax returns; are not these guilty of misdemeanor while contributing to the disharmony of a beautiful national oratorio? Is our heritage of the delightful melody of national unity, so laboriously established by the thirteen colonies, to become an extravaganza wherein our individual and national behavior becomes a burlesque? Are we losing our independence by gradually shifting our personal responsibilities to a governmental agency for our future security? Is our integrity depreciating to a point where personal, social and economic problems are readily delegated to others so that millions of us may divorce ourselves from individual liability? Do the rights and privileges of our freedom command so little respect that we deal lightly with them? This quotation from an address by John D. Rockefeller, Jr. is indeed timely: "I believe that every right implies a responsibility; every opportunity an obligation; every possession a duty." No thinking person will deny the truth of that statement. Our rights, our opportunities and our possessions are gifts that only individual consideration can preserve.

On motion by M.W. Bro. Walter H. Murfin (41), duly seconded, it was unanimously voted to elect R.W. Bro. Dr. George D. Wells and M.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe Honorary members of this Grand Lodge.

NOVA SCOTIA, Grand Master, 1952.

I have advocated the necessity for providing some time for Masonic educational talks at regular Lodge meetings during the year. Degree work is crowding the Lodge agenda and very few have undertaken explanatory material for the large numbers of new brethren entering our Lodges. If the interest of these brethren is to be stimulated and sustained, I think it essential that this important phase of Lodge work must be undertaken. Also, I have spoken on the necessity for punctual attendance by Lodge Officers and suggested that Officers should be on duty to receive and welcome visitors and candidates and generally to promote good fellowship among the brethren; also that brethren who have not been attending should be contacted and their interest regained where possible. In my opinion, Masonic enthusiasm is the ingredient most conducive to the realization of our great and shining purpose of making better men and citizens out of the material that enters our beloved Order. All our splendid charitable enterprises are secondary to this high objective and the successful conduct of our Masonic charitable undertakings follows naturally if this main purpose is reached. I believe sincerely that this outstanding design of our Institution is bearing much fruit amongst the brethren in our jurisdiction. Our brethren are to be found everywhere, strong and outstanding supporters of their Church and clergy, in service clubs and working for the welfare of the people and children in their communities. In a world of lightning-like change, fast communication, and unfortunately false ideology which is challenging our way of life even to the field of battle, many brethren are today finding the short sojourns in their Lodges welcome refreshing oases from the cares of the outside world, and go forth with renewed vigour and courage to perform their duties in accord with the high Masonic principles that have withstood the stresses and strains of this world from time immemorial.

OREGON, Grand Master, 1952.

The symbol that I have used in my message to the Lodges has been that of the cabletow, the many strands of which to me represent the sound principles that have come down to us over the ages, and which bind the individual Mason to this great cause of improvement of self and the brotherhood of man. It is also a symbol of that harmony which has existed this year, for each of those working has been like the fine strong strands of our cabletow interwoven together, to make one great operating force. Each one of you here today has played a part in this.

As this Grand Lodge closes and another begins, may the Great Architect of the Universe grant that we will, each one of us dedicate ourselves to the work of weaving more strong strands into this great symbolic cabletow, representing to us the development of the individual and the brotherhood of man.

PENNSYLVANIA, Grand Master, 1951.

Brethren:

It is with a deep feeling of gratitude to the Supreme Architect of the Universe that I welcome you to our Annual Grand Communication. Happy in the realization that in a world abounding with confusion, conflicts and aggressions, we are able to meet in this city—often designated as the City of Brotherly Love—where for more than 220 years the principles of Freemasonry have been continuously practiced with no restrictions on our right to assemble, think and speak as we please.

Our happiness, however is nearly eclipsed as we think of the troubled times—both nationally and internationally—in which we live; of our boys and those of our allies who are fighting in Korea; of the sinister forces of godless totalitarianism which are waging—not a shooting war—nor one in which blood is being shed—but a war which plans for the conquest of man's ideals, a war in which materialism is trying to discredit and destroy all spiritual qualities.

In digesting the news of the day even the most complacent of us are jarred out of our lethargy as we recall the observation of the great historian Toynbee that great civilizations are not destroyed by external aggression but by the increase of decandence and corruption within, and by the thought-provoking statement of Chief Justice Hughes that the peril of this nation is not in any foreign foe; but that we the people are its peril, its power and its hope.

In the light of these comments, what is our position in this nation today? Is there a possibility that the Russian army will overrun Western Europe, then Africa, then South America and finally North America? Or is there a greater likelihood that Communism will come into our nation—if it ever does—through internal upheaval, mob violence and civil war, resulting from a loss of the appreciation of spiritual values, a breakdown in morals, a betrayal of public trust by office-holders and corruption in both civil and political life.

If we, who are justifiably proud of the place and power of Freemasonry in laying the foundation on which our nation rests, accept the challenge presented to us by those who would destroy our American way of life—if we would take advantage of the opportunity which is accorded us as Masons and leave an imprint of Masonic doctrine and philosophy on the world of today, we must interest our members in quality rather than in number of petitioners. We must encourage them to be more selective, aiming to bring into the Order only thoughtful men of high character, wide vision and charity—men who desire to join with us in the development of a philosophy of life based on the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of Man—men who are interested in what they can put into the Fraternity rather than what they can get out of it.

If we would give to Freemasonry the power it should have in our affairs, our activities may not be limited to the careful screening of those who seek admission; nor confined to the proper and dignified rendition of the ritual. We must constantly guard against the idea that a man has been made a Mason when he has received the degrees—it has made him a member but no more a Mason than membership in a musical club would have made him a musician. The correct rendition of the ritual is fundamental, and a good knowledge of it is desirable, but we must also provide ways and means whereby our members as well as our initiates are taught the essentials of Masonic history and philosophy, the truths and principles which are embodied in its symbolism and their application to the building of character and the development of manhood.

Many of our citizens are oppressed by a feeling of inadequacy and helplessness in the face of the attacks on our economic, poltical and religious life, the breakdown in morals and corruption in government. They ask: "Does my opinion and my influence matter in the least? What is one voice among so many? Why should I exert myself?" The answer to these honest questions can be found in the meaning and purpose of Freemasonry—an answer which will inspire positive conviction—an answer which can bind together active, articulate people of influence in the development of public opinion which will enable Free Enterprise to withstand the encroachment of Socialism, Democracy the menace of the Police State, and the Kingdom of God the attacks of Atheistic Materialism—a public opinion which can substantially reduce decadence and corruption in our nation and make our people its power and its hope rather than its peril.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, Grand Master, 1951.

As we meet here this morning in Annual Communication we should be thankful that we do so as inherent right and not under a permit of a police controlled state. Let us not be indifferent or apathetic to the rights and privileges we enjoy, living as we do, in a democratic country which does not place the State first and the individual as a servant of the State. We should be very zealous of the rights which we enjoy, ever remembering that our freedom of speech, worship and assembly is a heritage not bought lightly by those who founded and developed this great country of ours.

As we look over the troubled world of today we see in many lands the ugly head of oppression and subjection raised over millions of peaceful people. So that our brethren in other lands may, to at least some degree, enjoy the privileges which we take too often for granted, soldiers from every province of our Great Dominion are today fighting shoulder to shoulder with other representatives of the United Nations in an endeavour to stop the surging tide of ruthless communistic aggression. The same tide which, if we are not vigilant may overtake us.

Masonry and Communism cannot live side by side. Our teachings are at complete variance one with the other and it is sad to have to record that where this loathsome pestilence rears its head Masonry ceases to exist, except as an underground agency for good. A recent communication from the Grand Lodge of China contains these awesome words: "In view, however, of all too numerous disappearances without trace, of people formerly prominent in various walks of Chinese life," . . . This quotation serves to emphasize the character of the ideology the free people of the world are today battling on many fronts. Again I say let us be vigilant and zealous in our efforts to maintain a way of life handed down to us by distinguished men and women of yesterday and which we in turn must pass on, unsullied and unimpaired, to the generation which shall follow us.

QUEENSLAND, Grand Master, 1952.

THE LOYAL TOAST

M.W. Grand Master: Brethren, you will remember that following the lamented death of our late King, the question of the manner in which the loyal toast should be proposed was considered, and in order to be on the safe side we adopted the simple toast of 'Her Majesty the Queen.' However, the matter has since been considered by the United Grand Lodge of England at its Quarterly Communication held on 5th March last, and the following appears in the record of proceedings:

> "As there appears to be considerable doubt in the minds of Brethren regarding this matter, the Board wishes to make it clear that, in countries where the loyal toast is honoured, the first Masonic toast should be 'The Queen and the Craft.' "

The matter was also considered by the Masters' and Past Masters' Lodge, of New Zealand, last month, and the following information appears in the record of proceedings:

> "Question: Why is the loyal toast now 'The Queen and the Craft?'
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> Answer: There are three reasons—
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> 1. The sovereign is now Queen Elizabeth.
> 2. The Grand Lodge of New Zealand has so directed.
> 3. This follows the manner of proposing the loyal toast during the reign of the late Queen Victoria,"

Further on the record reads:

> "Question: Is there authority for coupling the King and the Craft in one toast?"
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> Answer: The following is stated in the Transactions of the Research Lodge of Otago for July 30th, 1951:
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> "R.W. Bro. R. C. Rutherford devoted his Installation Address to this Lodge to a discussion on this topic. The toast is sanctioned by long usage; for, upon the formation of the Grand Lodge in England in 1717, the Grand Master revived the old toasts, among which was 'The King and the Craft.' Anderson's Constitutions, 1738, tell us that this toast was first honoured by Scottish Masons in the fifteenth century during the reign of James I of Scotland. This may be legendary history, but in a Lodge in Glasgow an old chest is preserved which was said to be used to store and preserve old Lodge records. On it is carved 'God save the King and the Mason's Craft, 1684'."

The Grand Secretary will notify all Lodges that the loyal toast in future will be "The Queen and the Craft."

SASKATCHEWAN, Grand Master, 1952.

Your participation in our 46th Annual Communication of Grand Lodge gives us cause to be sincerely grateful. I trust that you may fully enjoy this association with your Saskatchewan Brethren. May it become one of your treasured memories."

M.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran, Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, was introduced by M.W. Bro. J. C. Carter.

R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson, Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, was introduced by R.W. Bro. R. C. Hodsman.

The Grand Master welcomed our Manitoba Brethren as follows:

"One's Mother has a particular place in one's affections. Regardless of other attractions and associations, Mother still retains her own particular measure of respect and devotion. I welcome you to this meeting of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan as the direct representatives of our Mother Grand Lodge of Manitoba. I certainly trust that you will be proud of your Daughter Grand Lodge in Annual Communications assembled. I hope you will carry away many happy memories and that our deliberations will be of interest to you. Again I welcome you on behalf of Saskatchewan Freemasonry."

DISTRICT MEETINGS AND DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

Immediately the forty-fifth Annual Communication closed I attended a meeting for instruction of D.D.G.M.'s. This meeting had been organized by our Grand Secretary, at my direction, for the benefit of the newly invested representatives of the Grand Master in our seventeen Districts. I outlined my objectives and the Grand Secretary then gave intensive instruction with reference to the organization of the District Meetings and official Lodge visitations.

The Programme and Itinerary of District Meetings was published in the June issue of *The Tracing Board*. In addition to the publicity given in *The Tracing Board* all Lodges were officially notified. The meetings were well attended and I wish to pay tribute to the manner in which all D.D.G.M.'s carried out the work of organization. However, the attendance was not what it should have been. I agree with my predecessor—M.W. Bro. Auld—that our D.D.G.M.'s would be better qualified to serve, better qualified to organize these important meetings and, through experience, better qualified to give ceremonial direction if they were not limited to a one year term. I am also convinced that it would be in the best interests of our Craft if our Districts were increased in number, thereby making the grouping of Lodges, into Districts, more compact and reducing the travelling distances for the D.D.G.M.'s.

I recommend that my successor appoint a Committee to study this whole question and I suggest that our Grand Secretary and M.W. Bro. Auld be considered for appointment on this Committee.

My wish for you all is that Freemasonry will assist you in placing a true value on the finer things of life; that Freemasonry will broaden your friendship circle and that Freemasonry will impress on you the necessity of a close daily contact with The Most High.

My year of office is almost over. I am more than ever convinced of the soundness and permanency of Freemasonry. I express my kindly thanks to you one and all for making the past year the finest year of my life. I know there have been successes, I know there have been failures, I have tried to give my best. Possibly the poet expresses my feelings in the following words:

> "I'd rather be a failure than the man who's never tried
> I'd rather seek the mountain top than always stand aside
> Oh, let me hold some lofty dream and make my desperate fight,
> And though I fail I still shall know, I tried to serve the right."

Lodge Progress No. 92 requested a decision with reference to the possibility of an accepted applicant receiving his E. A. Degree in a room at the Sanatorium in Saskatoon. I instructed the Grand Secretary to advise the Lodge as follows:

> "It is my decision the proposal to confer the Entered Apprentice Degree on an accepted applicant in quarters other than a regular Lodge Room cannot be approved. When the accepted applicant is in physical condition to receive his Degree in the regular manner the Lodge may then make application for a Dispensation as provided in Section 162, Constitution, and any such application will receive sympathetic consideration."

"St. Luke's Lodge No. 165 requested a decision with reference to the Lodge taking charge of a drive for funds for the Institute for the Blind. I instructed the Grand Secretary to advise the Lodge as follows:

> "If a group of the members, as citizens, wish to organize and take charge of the campaign I would consider it very commendable but the name of the Lodge and the name of Freemasonry must not be associated with a drive for funds for any such purpose."

The Grand Lodge of Manitoba requested Waiver of Jurisdiction over an applicant living at Creighton Sub-Division in favour of their Flin Flon Lodge No. 153. I granted the Waiver of Jurisdiction.

SCOTLAND, Grand Committee, 1951.

That Lodges be instructed to go in to mourning for three months; Master and Wardens to wear craped regalia or black rosettes on aprons. The altar to be covered in black or purple.

That no Lodge social functions be held until after the Special Communication on 21st February.

Petition for Charter for proposed new Lodge at Johannesburg, working in Afrikaans, under the title of Lodge Dromedaris, was submitted. The Application is supported by Lodge Brixton, Brixton, Johannesburg, No. 982, and Lodge Pythagoras, Johannesburg, No. 1447, and approved by the District Grand Lodge of the Transvaal. The fees proposed are: Initiation, £40; Affiliation, £5, 5s. and Annual Subscription, £4, 4s. The petition being in order, it was agreed to recommend Grand Committee to move Grand Lodge to grant the prayer of the petitioners.

Report approved.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA, Board of General Purposes, 1952.

The Grand Registrar (V.W. Bro. Arnold M. Moulden, O.B.E., LL.B.) moved:

"That Constitution 106 be amended—

(i) by deleting the words 'Candidate's age' in question 1 of the form of declaration and inserting in lieu thereof the words 'Date and place of birth,' and

(ii) by inserting the following question immediately after the end of question 10:

'II (a) Are you a natural-born or naturalized British subject?

(b) If not, state nationality'."

V.W. Bro. Moulden said that the brethren were well aware that no one other than a natural-born or naturalised British subject could be admitted to membership of this Jurisdiction except in special circumstances, and then only by dispensation from the Grand Master on the recommendation of the Board. The proposed amendment was necessary as a safeguard against unqualified persons.

R.W. Bro. G. C. Hamilton, P.D.G.M., seconded. Carried.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA, Grand Master, 1952.

The Board's attention was recently drawn to the presentation by some Lodges of unauthorized medals purporting to be jewels for Past Wardens, Past Treasurers, Past Secretaries, Past Directors of Ceremonies or Past Organists, and to the fact that they are being worn in Lodge by the brethren to whom they were presented. I confirm the decision of the Board of General Purposes that such unauthorized jewels must not be worn in future. No Lodge is at liberty to strike and issue any jewel unless it has first been approved by the Board. Constitution 190 permits a present or past officer of a Lodge to have the emblem of his office in silver or in white in the centre of his apron, and this method of indicating past Lodge rank is alone authorized.

The Board has also given consideration to the practise which has crept into this jurisdiction in recent years of the Worshipful Master removing his glove when shaking hands with a visiting Master, or when administering an obligation, and of the removal of gloves when a Brother is entrusting the secrets.

I confirm the Board's decision that gloves are an essential part of the correct Masonic dress, and they should not be removed in the Lodge room except by a Brother who is taking an obligation.

I also approve the decision of the Board that smoking should not be permitted at the festive board until after the conclusion of the response to the toast of the M.W. the Grand Master, the R.W. Deputy Grand Master, and Grand Lodge Officers.

It is, of course, essential that all Masters of Lodges shall give effect to these decisions.

"Let me now conclude this address with the hope that you will continue to appreciate the dignity and high importance of Freemasonry. Properly understood, it can be a most helpful influence in our lives, and can beneficially affect us in all our actions, not only with each other, but with our fellow-citizens outside the Craft. Cynicism and selfishness are rife in the world today. Many seem to have lost all faith, and to be living from day to day, seeking only the gratification of their own worldly desires. We whose faith is securely anchored in a belief in God, who have learned 'to scorn delights and live laborious days', who know that this life is not the be-all and the end-all of our existence, but it merely a life through which we are 'passing' (as we understand that word) must do our best to prove to others, as well as to ourselves, that that faith in our justification. Let it not be merely an ideal—let it be our working code."

TASMANIA, Grand Master, 1952.

My Brethren,—"He is happiest most—who serves best."

Many years ago these words were spoken to me by a brother Mason, whose marked ability as a scholar and whose love of the Craft was equalled only by his purity of thought and his sincerity of life and action.

He was Secretary of a Lodge for 28 years and although a great worker himself, yet, was ever ready to encourage others and express appreciation of their work—

> "He saw his own radiance shining through other people
> and in his humility, thought it was theirs."

During my term as Grand Master I have seen other men like Willoughby Connor, who quietly and unobtrusively are serving Freemasonry, each in his own individual way, yet, each with a smile on his face and a song in his heart, the very embodiment that, "he is happiest most, who serves best."

Over the past two or three years it has been my privilege to speak to many hundreds of Masons, both in Grand Lodge assembled, but mostly at installations when men of goodwill gather together to pay homage to a newly installed Master, and as I look out into the faces of these hundreds of men, each one able and willing, and ready to work for our Order, I am deeply conscious of the power and possibilities of Masonry. Throughout human history men have felt the power of something beyond themselves. What is this mystical, this almost magical power that draws us together and holds us in its spell.. What is this appeal? For such is the appeal of Freemasonry, that throughout the ages it has commended the active interest of busy men, of learned men, men such as you here assembled, who in your day and generation accepted office: Not for the purpose of honour, or basking in the glory of honour, but to give service, service to your Lodge and service to a Craft whose origin is lost in the dim mist of antiquity.

You and I are deeply interested in the origin of Freemasonry and justly proud of its antiquity; we revel in its mysticism, its ancient landmarks, its emblem and a score of other things,

> "But who outside of Masonry cares how old Masonry is, whether it be 60,000—600—or 60 years old, and who outside of Masonry cares how it originated or anything about its mysticism, landmarks or emblems? BUT a curious, critical, questioning world outside of Masonry may very well be asking some very pointed practical questions, such as: 'What do you do in and for the kind of world that's all around you?'
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> 'How do you justify the existence of this huge institution in the modern world?'
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> Masonry does not need to (and in fact cannot) justify its place in society, nor in the midst of the world conditions of to-day by giving puny gratuities to this or that person or agency. That is neither the purpose of Masonry, nor the gauge by which it can be properly appraised and either justified or condemned.
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> The real purpose of Masonry far transcends any such consideration in the fact that it teaches men how to fashion good lives. Masonry builds character; it inspires men to seek to render service to their fellow man; it puts into their hearts and hands the very tools with which to fashion such lives and to build such character, and what

> is more, it starts to do these things right at the very commencement of a man's Masonic experience in the E.A. degree wherein we require a belief in God, and point reliance on the Holy Bible. Wherein we counsel brotherly love; wherein we teach loyal citizenship."

The answer to what do you do in and for the world that's all around you, is to be seen in individual service, and in a quickening realisation in our Lodges of community service. In all walks of life, on councils, committees and charitable organizations, and in 101 other places, there you will find the individual Mason. In both Hobart and Launceston small committees organize our Masonic Balls, and as though by magic provide us with a delightful evening, and a generous donation to our charitable funds; sure proof of organizing ability.

In Launceston, great progress has been made with the completion of several Masonic Homes. In recent months on a five-acre block of land at Lindisfarne I have seen Brethren digging trenches, mixing concrete, carrying bricks, each with a smile on his face and a song in his heart, and large beads of honest "sweat" on his brow, and, stiff, tired, aching muscles on the following Monday. Positive proof by practical men for the welfare of others. Now Brethren, what is the sum total of all this?

Does it point to the quickening realisation in our Lodges of Community Service, or is the day now dawning when our ever-growing number of P.M.'s can join with the Brethren in the further expansion of real practical Masonic work?

What do you think?

THE ANSWER, BRETHREN, IS IN YOUR HANDS.

My Brethren,

"Outside of the Home and the House of God there is nothing in this world more beautiful that the Spirit of Masonry."

During the past year I have had many opportunities which I have cherished to a marked degree of seeing and hearing—acts and words—inspired by the Spirit of Masonry—seeing many acts of friendship—of service—of sacrifice—hearing much eloquence in our beautiful Installation ceremony—and from knowledge gained—proud that the work of the various Lodges is being carried out in a manner worthy of our time-honoured Institution of which we are a part.

It is well that none of us forgets that the perfect working of the several degrees is, or should be, an expression of the spirit, which is of Masonry itself.

When we speak of the spirit of anything, we are speaking of the spiritual, as well as the temporal factors in life—for everything that is attempted or accomplished emanates from the spirit that is in man. The plan and performance of a political creed pre-supposes a spiritual source, of which both plan and performance are the outward form or expression. A symphony or a concerto as we know it takes the form of music printed on paper, and is executed by the expert hands through the material instruments. But what we see and hear was first a thing in spiritual form—in the soul of the composer. But a spirit must use material form to express itself.

Likewise Masonry was a spiritual thing long before it was expressed in words—in ritual—in symbols. Here, as it were, in our hands are the materials which have been conveyed to us. But the materials have no intrinsic value unless we ourselves look upon them as the vehicles for the expression of the spirit which created them.

The Spirit of Masonry may be expressed in "The recognition of the Great Architect Himself—in Friendship—in Brotherhood."

Throughout human history men have felt the power of something beyond themselves, impelling them towards the good—the true—the beautiful. Masons know that there is a Supreme Intelligence that pervades all Nature, and which is all powerful and eternal. The very structure of Masonry as we know it is a visible expression of the eternal spirit of which we give the name the G.A.O.T.U.

The very essence of Masonry is Friendship—a vitally important expression of the Spirit of Masonry.

Each Lodge is an oasis of equality and goodwill in a desert of strife. Its simple faith and its solemn rites, its freedom and its friendship are dedicated to all mankind.

Masonry gives a lofty answer to the spiritual needs of men. It gives men something to live by and something to live for.

It is very easy to criticise others, or extol the glories of Masonry, but it is a far different thing to live up to the principles we espouse.

We here to-night have been chosen by our brethren to govern them and give them proper instruction. Have we, ourselves, the wisdom to perform our tasks, and do we live up to our own standards? Can all our actions stand the test of the Supreme Grand Master's square?

Can we put aside all the things which sometimes divide us even from our own brethren?

If every Mason would work as an individual, with God's help, and if every Lodge as a group would work for the best interests of the community, spreading by precept and example the great principles of the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man, the spiritual force of Masonry, acting through us, would certainly triumph over the evil powers of that materialism which strikes at the spiritual foundation of our civilization.

Life is a capacity for the highest things. Let us make it a pursuit of the highest—an eager, incessant quest for truth—a noble utility—a lofty honour—a wise freedom—a genuine service—that through us the Spirit of Masonry may grow and be glorified.

Acknowledgements: J. Fort Newton, Harold J. Ralph, Wallace E. Caldwell

The Grand Secretary read the new Regulation 157A, which had been passed at the Annual Communication on 23rd February, 1952, as follows:

> "No person shall be nominated for membership of any Lodge unless he is a natural-born British subject, or produces to the Lodge his certificate of naturalisation, or has been a resident of the British Empire for a period of five years. In exceptional circumstances, the Grand Master may, on the recommendation of the Board of General Purposes, issue a dispensation reducing the period of five years."

M.W. Bro. T.C. Simpson moved that this now be confirmed, seconded by R.W. Bro. T.A. Goward and carried unanimously.

The Grand Secretary then read the amendment to Regulation 158 which had been passed at the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge on 23rd February last:

> Adding the two following questions to the Proposition Form, consequential upon the confirmation of the previous Regulation:
>
> (a) Are you a natural-born or naturalised British subject?
>
> (b) State nationality.

M. W. Bro. Simpson moved that this amendment be now confirmed, seconded by R.W. Bro. Goward and carried unanimously.

VIRGINIA, Grand Master, 1952.

Brethren, just a few words, as this will be my last message to you as Grand Master of Masons in Virginia. I want to tell you that it has been a very, very happy privilege to me to have served with such fine brethren through the years. There have been many things that we regret that we could not have done during these years, but it has been a wonderful experience, and I believe that we have done something towards carrying on the great traditions of Freemasonry. I hope that when I retire from office which will be just in a few minutes that my service to Masonry will not end. I hope that I can live for years to be of service to the Masonic Craft, and believe me, brethren, that is my full intention. I shall be ever ready and willing to be of service to any brother, or this Grand Lodge, or any subordinate lodge, at any time, to perform any service that I am capable of doing. There are many duties involved upon a Grand Master and other Grand Lodge officers, but every individual has a great responsibility to the great Masonic brotherhood. Each individual has something to do toward carrying on our great tradition. So regardless of what our station in life might be we can always remember this—that each has a part in the plan, and I think that can be maybe more beautifully explained in these lines:

"We all have a share in the duty,
We all have a part in the plan.
What does it matter what duty
Falls to the lot of man?

Someone planted the plaster,
Someone has moulded the stone.
Neither the men nor the Master
Has ever builded alone.
Making a roof for the weather
Or building a house for a king
Only by working together,
Has man accomplished a thing."

My brethren, I am proud to say that the brethren of the Commonwealth of Virginia have worked together in years past, and no man that ever presided over this Grand Lodge has ever had the pleasure of working with a finer group of shipmates. Now, as I relinquish the gavel to my successor, I want to say to you that one of the greatest pleasures that I have ever had—ever experienced—in my life, has been my association with your Deputy Grand Master. He has been a constant inspiration to me. I have never met a more loyal friend, and I shall always remember the very happy association that we have had in the Grand Lodge line together.

For the most part, requests for dispensations were routine, and are herewith reported.

Under Dispensation No. 48, Amelia Lodge, No. 101, requested permission to hold a called communication for ceremonial purposes in the home of one of its beloved and aged members. With the assurance of my District Deputy Grand Master that proper secrecy could be maintained, and under the conditions set forth in the dispensation, I granted this request.

WASHINGTON, Grand Master, 1952.

Is it permissible to use a wire recorder for the purpose of recording degree work within the Tiled Lodge?

Ruling: No type of recording instrument is permissible for the recording of any of our Lodge work.

Lodge voted on petition and found dark. Believing that a mistake had occurred, the W.M. ordered a reballot. This, too, was found to be dark and petitioner declared rejected. After lodge was closed, the M.W. discovered that one of the recommending brothers on the petition had been dropped N.P.D. four years ago. Does this discovery void the ballot?

Ruling: We must never deny the right of a brother to ballot according to the dictates of his own conscience, and regardless of the standing of the recommending brothers, the petition stands rejected. (Sec. 2011)

WEST VIRGINIA, Grand Master, 1951.

We are living in gloomy and perilous times. Our thinking is clouded with the philosophy of the prophets of doom, who say the atomic age will annihilate civilization. This prevalent notion has produced countless derivatives and descriptives seasoned with gloom, the derivatives and descriptives from Faith, Hope, Love and Relief are not heard from the press and radio commentators. My brethren, can we not as we stand at our Kadesh-Barnea, clothed with the rich heritage of the survival of our institution and our Christianity, look with confidence to the future, trusting that civilization will soon break through the cross-barbed entanglements of ignorance and fear, and that we will soon see the horizon of Hope.

OBEDIENCE TO THE UNENFORCEABLE

Consider a hypothetical case, as our legal brethren would say. It is generally known that Freemasonry emphasizes reverence for God. Let us assume, for the sake of argument, that the Grand Lodge would include in the ritual structure a degree which would attack the thoughtless, stupid and morally disintegrating habit of profanity. Assume, further, that in this degree, candidates were urged to pledge themselves against the use of God's holy name loosely, carelessly, or in profane swearing.

What would happen if these same candidates were to hear older members of the Craft using God's name profanely?

What could be done about it? Not one thing—so far as corporate action is concerned. No one would ever be disciplined for what may have been a careless habit, or the natural expression of an ingrained vulgarity or only a lamentable deficiency in vocabulary. Many men are like the one described by Byron: "He knew not what to say—and so he swore."

That sort of thing, however, would be disillusioning to the initiates and it would certainly weaken their respect for the significance of Masonic teachings and obligations. They would realize that Freemasonry is powerless to enforce its own ideals.

It would be easy to multiply examples. One might list every obligation and every lesson of each ancient Craft Degree and point instances of disloyalty. But what of the picture—as a whole? The truth is that the Church has not done so badly through the centuries—nor has Freemasonry since 1717. And this, in spite of recalcitrant individuals, their frequent inconsistencies and very occasional hypocrisies.

May it not be that the weakness of idealism is its strength? The appeal to honor is more spiritually effective than the threat of reprisal. In four words—obedience to the unenforceable—Lord Moulton defined the cohesive principle of democracy. It is also key to Masonic loyalty.

It is true that we have our lunatic fringe intent only upon having a good time, the merrier and coarser the better. We have our politically-minded climbers, our sycophants, our self-seekers. We have among us, men careless in speech, intemperate in habits, and insensitive to spiritual values. Add them all up and the number is insignificant as against the vast majority of sane, level-headed, industrious, thrifty and God-fearing men who are good husbands and fathers, good citizens and good Masons.

Because of the latter, Freemasonry is sound at the core and is in no danger of decadence. It lives by the loyalty of men who are obedient to the unenforceable.

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M.W. BRO. HARRY HAGGART GRAY
Grand Master 1953-1954

SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

Grand Lodge of Manitoba,

A.F. & A.M.

INSTALLATION OF RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER HARRY HAGGART GRAY AS MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA, A.F. & A.M.

A special Communication of Grand Lodge was held in the Masonic Temple, Donald Street, in the City of Winnipeg, on Wednesday, August 19th, 1953,at 8.00 p.m, for the purpose of installing Right Worshipful Brother Harry Haggart Gray into Office as the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

This special Communication was opened in Ample Form at 8.00 p.m. by the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Gordon A. McMorran, the Invocation was given by R.W. Brother Rev. Harold L. Newton, Grand Chaplain.

PRESENT

M.W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran	Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray	Grand Master Elect
M.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe	as Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Robt. E. Emmett	Senior Grand Warden
M.W. Bro. Walter C. McDonald	as Junior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. W. Percy White	Grand Treasurer
R.W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson	Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. Harold L. Newton	Grand Chaplain
M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas	Grand Historian
R.W. Bro. David Rothstein	Grand Director of Ceremonies
M.W. Bro. Harry B. Donnelly	Grand Librarian
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V.W. Bro. Alex. R. Laird	Junior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. H. F. Friesen	Senior Grand Steward
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R.W. Bro. J. A. Longbottom	D.D.G.M. Tenth Masonic District
R.W. Bro. Alex. E. Duff	D.D.G.M. Twelfth Masonic District

Also present were:

M.W. Bro. H. Coddington (1)
M.W. Bro. Chas E. Cole (7)
M.W. Bro. A. L. Crossin (10)
M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (11)
M.W. Bro. S. Burland (12)
M.W. Bro. Royal Burritt (130)
M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan (158)
M.W. Bro. E. J. Franta, Hon P.G.M., North Dakota
Bro. J. A. Waddell (1) S.D.
R.W. Bro. John Norquay (2)
R.W. Bro. A. J. Sawatzky (8)
R.W. Bro. O. T. Johnson (8)
R.W. Bro. R. W. Campbell (10)
R.W. Bro. W. J. McGregor (11)
R.W. Bro. M. E. McKinnon (49)
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Bro. M. H. Eddington: Emulation No. 255, Clinton, Iowa

After Master Masons were admitted, the Grand Master, M.W. Brother McMorran, expressed his regret that due to illness it had not been possible to install R.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray into Office at the 78th Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge, however, he was delighted he had made such a splendid recovery that he was able to be present for installation at this Special Communication.

He also gave a hearty welcome to M.W. Bro. Ed. J. Franta, Im. Past Grand Master of North Dakota and Honorary Past Grand Master of this Grand Jurisdiction, who had journeyed from Langdon, N.D., in order to be present at the Installation of R.W. Brother Gray.

The M.W. Grand Master then asked the Grand Installing Officer, M.W. Bro. Maurice S. Donovan to assume the Gavel.

M.W. Bro. Donovan requested R.W. Bro. D. Rothstein, Grand Director of Ceremonies to present the Grand Master Elect, who was then, in a most impressive ceremony installed into Office. At the conclusion, M.W. Bro. Donovan expressed his best wishes to the newly-installed Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Harry H. Gray, adding, that although his activities might be somewhat restricted, it was his fervent hope that the G.A.O.T.U. would give him strength to carry out those plans he felt sure he must have been preparing for some years, for which purpose, he then handed him the Gavel of Authority.

On behalf of Grand Lodge, M.W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran, presented the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Harry

H. Gray with the Grand Master's Apron. M.W. Bro. Gray, in thanking the members of Grand Lodge for electing him to the highest office which it was in their power to give, and for such magnificent regalia, said it was his hope that the G.A.O.T.U. would give him the health and strength to carry out the duties of his Office, the plans for which he would be compelled to curtail to some extent.

M.W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran was then asked to rise when he received from the M.W. Grand Master, on behalf of Grand Lodge, the jewel of a Past Grand Master. In expressing his appreciation of the gift, M.W. Bro. McMorran stated that it would always remind him of one of the most enjoyable years of his life, during which he had been able in some measure to further cement fraternal relationships beyond the borders of our own Jurisdiction.

M.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe in a most gracious manner then presented the M.W. Grand Master with a unique chrome and plastic Gavel and expressed the hope that he would be able to use it effectively for the complete balance of his term and that afterwards it would serve to remind him of many years of Service to the Craft.

The Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray very feelingly expressed his appreciation of the gift.

The Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Harry H. Gray, stated he could not close the meeting without expressing his very deep appreciation to M.W. Bro. Ed. J. Franta, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota for being present at his Installation, having been in each others' company so many times during the last few years, he felt the Ceremony would not have been complete without him.

In reply, M.W. Brother Franta expressed the hope that our M.W. Grand Master would regain his health and strength and thus be able to bring to fruition those plans which he must have laid out for his term of Office.

R.W. Bro. D. Rothstein, Grand Director of Ceremonies on behalf of Elected and Appointed Officers, expressed appreciation to the M.W. Grand Master and pledged their loyalty and support.

The M.W. Grand Master in acknowledgment, stated before closing, he wished to express his thanks to the many brethren for their prayers on his behalf during his illness, when their anxiety on his behalf was deeply appreciated. He also expressed his appreciation to M.W. Brother Donovan for the very impressive manner in which he had conducted his Installation.

The business of the Special Communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, having been completed, the Grand Chaplain, led the brethren in prayer and Grand Lodge was closed by M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray in Ample Form.

Thos. Jackson

Grand Secretary.

SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

Grand Lodge of Manitoba,

A.F. & A.M.

CEREMONY OF CONSECRATION AND CONSTITUTION OF WOODWORTH LODGE

No. 166, G.R.M.

In the Village of Kenton, Province of Manitoba, on Thursday, July 16th, 1953, the Grand Lodge of Manitoba was convened for the purpose of Consecrating and Constituting the above named Lodge at the hour of 8.00 o'clock in the evening.

After the Lodge had been opened by the Worshipful Master of Woodworth Lodge in the Three Craft Degrees of Freemasonry, the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Gordon A. McMorran and the Grand Lodge Officers then entered the Lodge Room and were welcomed.

There were present with the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Gordon A. McMorran, the following Grand Lodge Officers:

M.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe	I.P.G.M.
M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole	as Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Robt. E. Emmett	Senior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. J. Ferguson Irwin	Junior Grand Warden
M.W. Bro. Maurice S. Donovan	as Grand Treasurer
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M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas	Grand Historian
R.W. Bro. David Rothstein	G.D. of Ceremonies
V.W. Bro. Myrton Mills	Senior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. Alex. R. Laird	Junior Grand Deacon
R.W. Bro. Austin D. Blair	as Senior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. Herbert Purton	Junior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. Fred. C. Courtice	as Grand Organist
R.W. Bro. Hugh M. Kerr	as Grand Pursuivant
V.W. Bro. Vere E. G. Little	Grand Tyler
R.W. Bro. Harold M. Mayhew	D.D.G.M. Fifth Masonic District

R.W. Bro. Harold M. Mayhew, District Deputy Grand Master, presented a request to the M.W. Grand Master for the Ceremony of Consecration and Constitution of the Lodge as a regularly Chartered Lodge, and the M.W. Grand Master signified his willingness to proceed with the Ceremony.

At this point, the Charter was read and the Grand Director of Ceremonies was requested to retire accompanied by the Ark Bearers, with the Deputy Grand Master as the bearer of the Vessel of Corn, the Senior Grand Warden as the bearer of the Vessel of Wine and the Junior Grand Warden as the Bearer of the Vessel of Oil, to bring the instruments of Consecration and in a most dignified ceremony, Woodworth Lodge No. 166 was Consecrated and Constituted.

The Symbols were then removed and W. Bro. Christopher Percival Brown was then installed in full form and the following Officers invested in their respective offices by M.W. Bro. Maurice S. Donovan.

W.Bro. Christopher Percival Brown	Worshipful Master
Bro. Archibald T. Grant	Senior Warden
Bro. Eugene Borgstrom	Junior Warden
Bro. Charles M. Howell	Treasurer
Bro. John D. Sills	Secretary
Bro. R. Stewart Bulloch	Chaplain
Bro. Wilbur Wright	Senior Deacon
Bro. George Perrin	Junior Deacon
Bro. Charles Council	Senior Steward
Bro. J. M. Whyte	Junior Steward
Bro. Paul A. Barron	Director of Ceremonies
Bro. James Willox	Inner Guard
Bro. A. T. Elkington	Tyler

Woodworth Lodge No. 166 was then closed by the newly-installed Master and his Officers severally in the Master Mason, Fellow Craft and Entered Apprentice Degrees.

The evening concluded with a delightful informal banquet served to the members and visitors present.

Thos. Jackson

Grand Secretary

SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

Grand Lodge of Manitoba,

A.F. & A.M.

CEREMONY OF CONSECRATION AND CONSTITUTION OF FRIENDSHIP LODGE

No. 165

Persuant to the notice given, the Officers of Grand Lodge met in the Parish Hall of St. Paul's Church in the Municipality of Fort Garry, Province of Manitoba, at 7.45 p.m. in the evening of Thursday, September 3rd, 1953 for the purpose of Consecration and Constitution of Friendship Lodge, Under Dispensation.

After the Lodge had been opened by the Worshipful Master of Friendship Lodge in the Master Mason Degree, M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray, Grand Master and the Grand Lodge Officers were introduced and welcomed; the Grand Master being invited to the East where he assumed the gavel.

Accompanying the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray, were the following Grand Lodge Officers:

R.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans (113)	Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett (121)	Senior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. E. L. White (131)	as Junior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson (3)	Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. Rev. H. L. Newton (19)	Grand Chaplain
M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4)	Grand Historian
R.W. Bro. D. Rothstein (141)	G.D. of Ceremonies
V.W. Bro. Myrton Mills (160)	Senior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. A. R. Laird (145)	Junior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. H. F. Friesen (55)	Senior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. H. Purton (111)	Junior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. Jas. Mowat (140)	Grand Pursuivant
V.W. Bro. Dave Mitchell (10)	as Grand Tyler

R.W. Bro. A. A. MacDonald, District Deputy Grand Master of the First Masonic District, presented a request to the Grand Master for the Ceremony of Consecration and Constitution of the Lodge as a regular Chartered Lodge, and the M.W. Grand Master signified his willingness to proceed with the Ceremony.

The Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson then read the Charter and the Grand Director of Ceremonies, R.W. Bro. David Rothstein was asked to retire accompanied by the Ark Bearers with the Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans as bearer of the Vessel of Corn, the Senior Grand Warden, R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett as bearer of the Vessel of Wine and the Acting Junior Grand Warden, R.W. Bro. E. L. White as bearer of the Vessel of Oil, to bring in the Instruments of Consecration and in a most impressive manner, Friendship Lodge No. 165 was Consecrated and Constituted.

The Symbols were then removed, after which W. Bro. G. Wilson Rattray was installed in full form as the first Worshipful Master of the Lodge. W. Bro. Emerson J. Heaney was placed to act as the Immediate Past Master, and the following Officers were invested with the Jewels of their several Offices and duly installed:

W.Bro. George M. Farwell	Senior Warden
Bro. James Marshall	Junior Warden
Bro. E. Albin Hagborg	Treasurer
Bro. Howard C. Wolfe	Secretary
Bro. (Rev.) John C. Mathieson	Chaplain
Bro. Donald C. Pearson	Senior Deacon
Bro. E. Gordon Lowen	Junior Deacon
W.Bro. James W. Hall	Director of Ceremonies
Bro. John E. Rogers	Senior Steward
Bro. Charles Hollenberg	Junior Steward
Bro. Hugh B. Lennox	Inner Guard
Bro. Andrew Fox	Tyler

The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray then addressed the gathering stating this was his first Official act after his Installation, and offered his good wishes to the Worshipful Master, Officers and members of the new Lodge, drawing their attention to the fact that the Lodge, situated as it was in a large and progressive suburb of the City of Winnipeg, should have an excellent future. He further stated, that providing the members always kept in mind and put into practice, the principles and high ideals of the Craft, they would be an enormous power for good in the Community.

W. Bro. G. Wilson Rattray and his Officers closed Friendship Lodge No. 165 severally in the Master Mason, Fellow Craft and Entered Apprentice Degrees in due form.

Thos. C. Jackson

Grand Secretary.

SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

Grand Lodge of Manitoba,

A.F. & A.M.

CEREMONY OF INSTITUTION OF MARQUETTE LODGE, UNDER DISPENSATION

At the City of Portage la Prairie, in the Province of Manitoba, and within the Masonic Temple, Tupper Street South, Officers of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, met on Monday, October 26th, 1953 at 8.00 o'clock in the evening for the purpose of Instituting, or re-establishing Marquette Lodge.

Most Worshipful Brother Harry H. Gray, Grand Master, presided at this Ceremony and was assisted by the following Grand Lodge Officers, the Lodge being opened in due form in the Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft and Master Mason Degrees, respectively:

M.W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran	Immediate Past Grand Master
R.W. Bro. John R. C. Evans	Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Robt. E. Emmett	Senior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. J. Ferguson Irwin	Junior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson	Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. H. L. Newton	Grand Chaplain
M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas	Grand Historian
R.W. Bro. Alex. E. Duff	as Grand Director of Ceremonies
V.W. Bro. Myrton Mills	Senior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. Alex. R. Laird	Junior Grand Deacon
R.W. Bro. H. S. Perdue	as Senior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. Herbert Purton	Junior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. Wm. Caley	Grand Organist
V.W. Bro. Jas. Mowat	Grand Pursuivant
Bro. W. Lang	as Grand Tyler

also present were:

M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni	Past Grand Master
M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole	Past Grand Master
M.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe	Past Grand Master
R.W. Bro. A. A. MacDonald	D.D.G.M. (First District)
R.W. Bro. F. C. Davey	P.D.D.G.M.
R.W. Bro. R. W. Campbell	P.D.D.G.M.

The Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Harry H. Gray extended his congratulations to the brethren and called upon the Grand Chaplain to first of all ask the blessing of the G.A.O.T.U. on this special occasion.

The Grand Secretary was then called upon to read the Dispensation authorizing the Institution of Marquette Lodge.

The M.W. Grand Master after making further remarks with regard to the importance of the occasion requested the Grand Secretary to read the names of the brethren selected to govern the new lodge and after these were assembled, M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole gave the Obligation.

The Grand Master then invested each Officer with his Jewel of Office as follows:

W.Bro. Horace Foss Giffin	Worshipful Master
Bro. Earl Malcolm Brown	Senior Warden
Bro. Wm. Clayton Lowry	Junior Warden
Bro. W. R. M. Inglis	Treasurer
W.Bro. G. Gordon Grigg	Secretary
Bro. R. W. Lytle	Chaplain
Bro. Harry Owens	Senior Deacon
Bro. W. H. Bradley	Junior Deacon
Bro. A. Carver	Senior Steward
Bro. Robt. McDermid	Junior Steward
R.W. Bro. F. G. Garvin	Director of Ceremonies
Bro. N. H. Muir	Inner Guard
Bro. Norman Owens	Tyler

M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni was invested with the Jewel of the Immediate Past Master.

Grand Honors were given and the Grand Director of Ceremonies proclaimed the Lodge Instituted and its Officers invested, followed by the Benediction.

After being called on for some remarks, M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni gave a resumé of the early history which led to the amalgamation of Marquette Lodge No. 21 with Assiniboine Lodge No. 7 and continued by giving an outline of the events which have led to the present meeting, stating that if the prayer of the Petitioners be granted, that Marquette Lodge U.D. be given the number "21" which it held at the time of the amalgamation. The lodge would then rank the fourteenth in the Grand Jurisdiction of Manitoba.

The Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans on behalf of Grand Lodge, presented the Master with the Book "The Master's Assistant" and expressed the hope that he would receive inspiration from its pages.

The Secretary read a telegram received from Fort Prince of Wales Lodge No. 161, Churchill, conveying congratulations and good wishes from the most Northerly Lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction.

On behalf of his Officers and Members, the Master of Assiniboine Lodge No. 7 conveyed their best wishes and greetings for the occasion and amplified this by presenting the new Lodge with a cheque for Five Hundred Dollars, all of which was suitably acknowledged by W. Brother Giffin.

M.W. Brother Wm. Douglas in conveying his congratulations stated that when Marquette Lodge No. 21 amalgamated with Assiniboine Lodge No. 7 it did not surrender its Charter, searches for it, so far have been in vain and he suggested to the Worshipful Master that he set the brethren to work to search for something which is lost—viz: the Charter of Marquette Lodge No. 21, and perhaps it may be found in the Archives of Portage la Prairie.

Marquette Lodge U.D. then conducted its first meeting and the Lodge was closed in harmony, severally in the Master Mason, Fellow Craft and Entered Apprentice Degrees, at 9.30 p.m.

Thos. Jackson

Grand Secretary.

SPECIAL COMMUNICATION

Grand Lodge of Manitoba,

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CEREMONY OF INSTITUTION OF MENORAH LODGE UNDER DISPENSATION

At the Municipality of East Kildonan in Greater Winnipeg, Province of Manitoba, and within the Masonic Hall, 215 Melrose Avenue, the Officers of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, met on Wednesday, January 20th, 1954 at 8.00 o'clock in the evening for the purpose of Instituting a new Lodge to be known as MENORAH LODGE. Most Worshipful Brother Harry H. Gray, Grand Master, presided at this special occasion, and was assisted by the following Grand Lodge Officers:

M.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe	as Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Robt. E. Emmett	Senior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. J. Ferguson Irwin	Junior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson	Grand Secretary
M.W. Bro. Harry B. Donnelly	as Grand Chaplain
R.W. Bro. David Rothstein	Grand Director of Ceremonies
V.W. Bro. Myrton Mills	Senior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. Alex. R. Laird	Junior Grand Deacon
R.W. Bro. Angus A. MacDonald	as Senior Grand Steward
R.W. Bro. John Norquay	as Junior Grand Steward
R.W. Bro. Alex. E. Duff	as Grand Pursuivant
W.Bro. Morris Rosenstock	as Grand Tyler

There were also present:

M.W. Bro. Wm. D. Lawrence, P.G.M.
R.W. Bro. Geo. R. Mackay, P.D.D.G.M.

The Grand Master called on the Grand Secretary to read the Dispensation of authority, after which the Lodge was opened severally in the Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft and Master Mason Degrees. The Grand Master, M.W. Bro, Harry H. Gray then announced the purpose of the meeting, and requested the Grand Secretary to read the names of the brethren who had been selected to govern Menorah Lodge under Dispensation, as follows:

W. Bro. H Bookhalter	Worshipful Master
Bro. H. Stein	Senior Warden
Bro. J. M. Knelman	Junior Warden
Bro. T. Tadman	Treasurer
Bro. M. H. Tatelman	Secretary
W.Bro. B. B. Claman	Chaplain
Bro. M. Oretzky	Senior Deacon
Bro. M. Jeroff	Junior Deacon
W.Bro. J. Lyons	Director of Ceremonies
Bro. N. Shuckett	Senior Steward
Bro. D. Guttman	Junior Steward
W.Bro. J. Walkin	Organist
Bro. Art. Sayles	Inner Guard
Bro. I. Katz	Tyler

The brethren took their places before the Altar and were obligated by M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray, Grand Master, who also invested them with the Jewel of their Office, finally being conducted to their stations in the Lodge by the Grand Director of Ceremonies, R.W. Bro. David Rothstein.

The Charge to the Wardens was delivered by M.W. Bro. Fred. H. Blythe Past Grand Master, and the Charge to the brethren by R.W. Bro. Alex. A. Duff, District Deputy Grand Master of the Twelfth Masonic District.

The Grand Master then congratulated the brethren on the formation of the Lodge, and also on their selection of Officers to govern the Lodge during the probationary period. He also particularly wished to compliment them on their selection of the name "MENORAH" for their Lodge all felt those responsible for making such a choice could be relied upon to properly instruct those coming to them in search of "Light."

Grand Honors were then given, and the Grand Director of Ceremonies proclaimed the Lodge Instituted and its Officers invested; this was followed by the Benediction.

The M.W. Grand Master said that there was nothing in the Ceremonial about a newly Instituted Lodge having to fill the Office of Immediate Past Master, but he was very pleased that the brethren had chosen W. Bro. Isaac Zipursky to occupy the Chair of Immediate Past Master, and added, that no doubt the new Lodge would benefit greatly from his advice.

At this time also, the M.W. Grand Master expressed his pleasure in the duty he was now going to perform—that of presenting W. Bro. Isaac Zipursky with his Commission as the recently appointed Representative of the Grand Lodge of New South Wales. In replying, W. Bro. Zipursky said he was delighted to receive this appointment as one half of his family were resident in New South Wales, and he hoped sometime in the future he would be able to visit there.

The M.W. Grand Master then placed W. Bro. H. Bookhalter in the Chair and handed him the Gavel of Authority with his best wishes for success.

W. Bro. Bookhalter in his reply stated that he, along with his Officers and members, fully realized the responsibility which had been placed upon them and he wished to express their deep appreciation to the Board of General Purposes for giving their recommendation approval; to the M.W. Grand Master for granting them the Dispensation; and finally for the very impressive Ceremony of Institution; closing with a prayer to the G.A.O.T.U. for the continued improvement in health of our Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray.

The Officers of Grand Lodge then retired, and the new Officers of Menorah Lodge closed the Lodge severally, in the Master Mason, Fellow Craft and Entered Apprentice Degrees.

Thos. Jackson

Grand Secretary.

Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

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SEVENTY-NINTH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

In the City of Winnipeg, in the Fort Garry Hotel, the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, met in the Seventy-ninth Annual Communication.

Grand Lodge was opened in Ample Form at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon of June 2nd by the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Harry Haggart Gray; the invocation being given by the Acting Grand Chaplain, R.W. Brother R. Fletcher Argue:

PRESENT

M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray (141), Winnipeg	Grand Master
R.W. Bro. John R. C. Evans (113), Brandon	Deputy Grand Master
R.W. Bro. Robt. E. Emmett (121), St. James	Senior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. J. Ferguson Irwin (24), Neepawa	Junior Grand Warden
R.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4), Winnipeg	Grand Treasurer
R.W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson (3), Winnipeg	Grand Secretary
R.W. Bro. R. Fletcher Argue (25), Winnipeg	as Grand Chaplain
M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4), Winnipeg	Grand Historian
R.W. Bro. David Rothstein (141), Winnipeg	G.D. of Ceremonies
M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly (138), St. Vital	Grand Librarian
V.W. Bro. Myrton Mills (160), Starbuck	Senior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. Alex. R. Laird (145), St. James	Junior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. H. F. Friesen (55), Gretna	Senior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. Herbert Purton (111), Winnipeg	Junior Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. Wm. Caley (68), Dauphin	Grand Organist
V.W. Bro. Jas. Mowat (140), Winnipeg	Grand Pursuivant
V.W. Bro. Vere E. G. Little (84), Hamiota	Grand Tyler
R.W. Bro. A. A. MacDonald (4) Fort Garry	D.D.G.M. 1st Masonic District
R.W. Bro. Benjamin Angus (133) McCreary	D.D.G.M. 2nd Masonic District
R.W. Bro. J. A. Sundell (63) Holland	D.D.G.M. 3rd Masonic District
R.W. Bro. N. H. Ashley (30) Manitou	D.D.G.M. 4th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. H. M. Mayhew (106) Strathclair	D.D.G.M. 5th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. R. H. Gibson (52) Hartney	D.D.G.M. 6th Masonic District

R.W. Bro. Clarence Moore (43) Virden D.D.G.M. 7th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. W. J. Hamblin (8) Morris D.D.G.M. 8th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. J. E. Burnett (126) Minitonas D.D.G.M. 9th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. J. A. Longbottom (112) Transcona D.D.G.M. 10th Masonic District
R.W. Bro. Alex. E. Duff (130) Winnipeg D.D.G.M. 12th Masonic District

LIST OF PAST GRAND MASTERS PRESENT

M.W. Bro. Harry Coddington (1)
M.W. Bro. Norman J. Black (3)
M.W. Bro. William Douglas (4)
M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole (7)
M.W. Bro. Stanley H. Fahrni (7)
M.W. Bro. Samuel Burland (12)
M.W. Bro. Wm. D. Lawrence (25)
M.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran (27)
M.W. Bro. Jas. S. MacEwing (51)
M.W. Bro. Walter C. McDonald (70)
M.W. Bro. E. T. Greenway (71)
M.W. Bro. D. S. Woods (90)
M.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe (93)
M.W. Bro. Royal Burritt (130)
M.W. Bro. Harry B. Donnelly (138)
M.W. Bro. Maurice S. Donovan (158)

PRINCE RUPERT'S LODGE NO. 1

Bro. Wm. Throp S.W.

M.W. Bro. H. Coddington
V.W. Bro. J. D. McKinlay
V.W. Bro. W. K. Mulock
W. Bro. J. M. Brown
W. Bro. S. Long
W. Bro. M. M. McElheran
W. Bro. A. J. Ryckman

LISGAR LODGE No. 2

W. Bro. R. Stewart W.M.

R.W. Bro. R. S. Montgomery
R.W. Bro. J. Norquay
V.W. Bro. W. H. Shead
W. Bro. G. D. Goodwin
W. Bro. G. L. McQueen

ANCIENT LANDMARK LODGE NO. 3

W. Bro. T. J. F. Reynolds W.M.
Bro. C. J. Scott S.W.
Bro. P. A. Bull J. W.

M.W. Bro. N. J. Black
R.W. Bro. J. C. Grant
R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson
W. Bro. F. Adam
W. Bro. C. S. Coates
W. Bro. P. G. Hawkins
W. Bro. E. W. Kemp
W. Bro. W. A. Little
W. Bro. S. J. Sametz
W. Bro. W. J. Wenham

ST. JOHN'S LODGE NO. 4

W. Bro. J. A. Cooney..................W.M.
Bro. W. L. Milne.....................S.W.
Bro. R. Robertson...................J.W.

M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas
R.W. Bro. A. G. Cowan
R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy
R.W. Bro. A. A. McDonald
R.W. Bro. A. S. McCann
R.W. Bro. W. Percy White
V.W. Bro. T. L. Dodsworth
W. Bro. C. V. Antenbring
W. Bro. E. H. Brown
W. Bro. T. A. Connell
W. Bro. E. L. Jakes
W. Bro. C. S. Landon
W. Bro. C. E. Mansell
W. Bro. B. S. Parker
W. Bro. P. C. Pratt
W. Bro. G. Reed
W. Bro. J. W. Tackaberry

EMERSON LODGE No. 6

W. Bro. A. H. Milne...................W.M.
Bro. F. R. Dowswell...............S.W.
Bro. L. C. Breckon..................J.W.

R.W. Bro. J. D. Lloyd
R.W. Bro. G. J. Long
R.W. Bro. A. Moffatt
W. Bro. K. C. R. Coulter
W. Bro. C. H. Depew
W. Bro. R. H. J. Long
W. Bro. J. C. Reece
W. Bro. T. W. Shields
W. Bro. W. H. Storms
W. Bro. C. C. Thomson

ASSINIBOINE LODGE No. 7

W. Bro. H. J. Lamoureux..........W.M.
Bro. A. L. Lamont..................S.W.

M.W. Bro. C. E. Cole
M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni
R.W. Bro. S. H. Prowse
V.W. Bro. G. R. Dewar
V.W. Bro. J. C. Hyde
V.W. Bro. D. W. Smith
W. Bro. W. S. Allison
W. Bro. W. Dalzell
W. Bro. H. F. Giffin
W. Bro. R. A. Price

KING SOLOMON LODGE No. 8

W. Bro. H. R. Clow....................W.M.
Bro. R. Forrest........................S.W.

R.W. Bro. W. J. Hamblin
R.W. Bro. O. T. Johnson
R.W. Bro. Wm. Moore
W. Bro. C. C. Dixon

NORTHERN LIGHT LODGE No. 10

W. Bro. C. G. Harris...................W.M.
Bro. R. Collier...........................J.W.

R.W. Bro. R. W. Campbell
V.W. Bro. S. D. Cruden
V.W. Bro. D. Mitchell
W. Bro. A. P. Crossin
W. Bro. G. C. Galbraith
W. Bro. S. C. Guest
W. Bro. W. R. Morrison
W. Bro. G. H. Pratt
W. Bro. C. S. Williams

GLADSTONE LODGE No. 11

W. Bro. J. M. Ferguson..............W.M.
Bro. D. A. Cathcart................S.W.
Bro. B. Freeborn......................J.W.

R.W. Bro. W. J. McGregor
W. Bro. R. M. Cawley
W. Bro. S. C. Howard
W. Bro. F. R. Jarvis
W. Bro. S. Sorenson
W. Bro. C. M. Wilson

STONEWALL LODGE No. 12

W. Bro. J. W. Whitehead..........W.M.
Bro. A. S. Matthewson..........S.W.

M.W. Bro. S. Burland
R.W. Bro. W. H. French
W. Bro. H. W. Elwell
W. Bro. H. A. Good
W. Bro. M. R. Good
W. Bro. W. J. Howe
W. Bro. H. K. Hutson
W. Bro. J. C. Slater
W. Bro. H. M. Weir

MORDEN LODGE No. 13

W. Bro. F. S. Westwood............W.M.
Bro. M. W. Carruthers..........S.W.

R.W. Bro. G. H. Bray
R.W. Bro. W. R. Leslie
V.W. Bro. W. J. Breakey
W. Bro. W. L. Jessiman
W. Bro. F. W. Milhausen

PRINCE OF WALES LODGE No. 14

W. Bro. J. Kosmolak...................W.M.
Bro. A. S. Thoms....................S.W.

R.W. Bro. J. Fleming
W. Bro. C. E. Meadows
W. Bro. A. Murray

CORINTHIAN LODGE No. 15

W. Bro. L. E. Thompson............W.M.
Bro. H. Northam....................J.W.

W. Bro. W. N. Thompson

BRANDON LODGE No. 19

W. Bro. R. G. Crookshank........W.M.
Bro. F. H. Gibson...................S.W.
Bro. F. P. McLeary.................J.W.

R.W. Bro. J. W. Broatch
V.W. Bro. F. C. Courtice
W. Bro. H. W. Halverson
W. Bro. J. J. Wall

NEEPAWA LODGE No. 24

W. Bro. J. H. McLaren..............W.M.
Bro. G. M. Hallen...................J.W.

R.W. Bro. J. F. Irwin
W. Bro. A. Clark
W. Bro. W. K. Clyde
W. Bro. J. A. Davidson
W. Bro. D. E. Pollock

IONIC LODGE NO. 25

W. Bro. R. T. Comrie................W.M.
Bro. D. G. Florence................S.W.

M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence
R.W. Bro. R. F. Argue
V.W. Bro. E. T. Leech
W. Bro. H. B. Dimock
W. Bro. E. L. Hardie
W. Bro. Jas. Perry
W. Bro. B. R. Webb

GLENWOOD LODGE No. 27

W. Bro. W. P. Groves .... W.M.
Bro. P. Scott .... S.W.

M.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran
V.W. Bro. C. L. Anderson
W. Bro. H. J. Turner

CARBERRY LODGE No. 29

W. Bro. A. E. Harburn .... W.M.

R. W. Bro. B. W. Caldwell
W. Bro. E. A. Berry
W. Bro. E. Lucas
W. Bro. A. L. MacKay
W. Bro. C. P. Rogers
W. Bro. W. J. Witherspoon

MANITOU LODGE No. 30

Bro. W. H. Bowler .... S.W.

R.W. Bro. N. H. Ashley
W. Bro. W. H. McKinney

DORIC LODGE No. 36

W. Bro. C. F. McCullagh .... W.M.

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W. Bro. D. Stringer
W. Bro. R. Wood
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W. Bro. E. Lewis
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W. Bro. W. Lamb
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W. Bro. A. Sinclair
W. Bro. F. Williamson
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W. Bro. A. R. Cossar
W. Bro. J. C. Dick
W. Bro. H. H. Lowe
W. Bro. J. M. Ross
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V.W. Bro. N. Rothstein
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W. Bro. E. M. Finkleman
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W. Bro. S. Golden
W. Bro. A. P. Guttman
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W. Bro. A. Hecht
W. Bro. W. Leonoff
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W. Bro. J. L. Rill
W. Bro. M. Rosenstock
W. Bro. R. A. Seipp
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W. Bro. J. Zeal
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Bro. M. H. Laing, Ont.
Bro. D. Gilmour, Sask.
Bro. R. C. Brooks, Calif.
Bro. J. M. Rich, Minn.

All Master Masons wishing to enter Grand Lodge were then admitted, and assigned to special seating accommodation provided for them.

The Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray, welcomed all present and expressed the hope that all would derive profit and pleasure from the Communication.

ADOPTING REGULATIONS

It was moved by M.W. Brother F. H. Blythe (93), seconded by M.W. Brother G. A. McMorran (27) that the Agenda and Regulations for conducting the Sessions of Grand Lodge, as printed, be adopted, subject to the wishes of the M.W. Grand Master. Carried.

The Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray requested that all brethren entering or leaving the Grand Lodge Room, give the required sign at the Altar and enter or leave only between items of business. He also reminded the brethren that in accordance with Section 24 of our Constitution all motions were to be written out on forms provided for this purpose, to be found with the Senior and Junior Grand Wardens.

READING OF MINUTES

M.W. Brother H. Coddington (1) moved, seconded by R.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4), that the Minutes of the last Annual Communication, and of the Special Communications of Grand Lodge as printed in the Proceedings, be taken as read and confirmed. Carried.

The Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson (3) read the Minutes of the Special Communication of Grand Lodge held August 19th, 1953, in the Blue Room of the Masonic Temple, Winnipeg and which was called for the purpose of installing the Grand Master Elect, R.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray. There appeared to be no errors or omissions and the Minutes were approved as read.

REPORT OF NOMINATIONS

The Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson (3) reported the following nominations had been received for the Offices of Grand Lodge, and for the Board of General Purposes. He moved that the report be received, seconded by M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe (93). Carried.

Grand Master:
R.W. Bro. John R. C. Evans, Tweed Lodge No. 113

Deputy Grand Master:
R.W. Bro. Robert Eric Emmett, St. James Lodge No. 121

Senior Grand Warden:
R.W. Bro. J. Ferguson Irwin, Neepawa Lodge No. 24

Junior Grand Warden:
R.W. Bro. John Norquay, Lisgar Lodge No. 2
R.W. Bro. David Rothstein, Tuscan Lodge No. 141

Grand Treasurer:
R.W. Bro. W. Percy White, St. John's Lodge No. 4

Grand Secretary:
R.W. Bro. Thomas C. Jackson, Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3

Grand Chaplain:
W. Bro. Joseph E. Cooper, Swan Lake Lodge No. 109

Grand Historian:
M.W. Bro. William Douglas, St. John's Lodge No. 4

Grand Director of Ceremonies:
R.W. Bro. Charles A. Midwinter, Acacia Lodge No. 111
V.W. Bro. Wesley D. G. Runions, Fort Garry Lodge No. 130

Grand Librarian:
M.W. Bro. Harry B. Donnelly, Windsor Lodge No. 138

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

W. Bro. B. Stuart Parker, St. John's Lodge No. 4
R.W. Bro. A. J. Sawatzky, King Solomon Lodge No. 8
R.W. Bro. W. J. McGregor, Gladstone Lodge No. 11
R.W. Bro. J. A. Sundell, Holland Lodge No. 63
R.W. Bro. Austin D. Blair, Composite Lodge No. 64
R.W. Bro. D. A. McKay, Crystal Lodge No. 71
R.W. Bro. Frank C. Davey, King Edward Lodge No. 93
R.W. Bro. H. Stewart Perdue, Tweed Lodge No. 113
W. Bro. W. M. Summers, Norwood Lodge No. 119
W. Bro. S. C. Bagley, St. James Lodge No. 121
R.W. Bro. Alex. E. Duff, Fort Garry Lodge No. 130
R.W. Bro. E. L. White, Kildonan Lodge No. 131
R.W. Bro. Matt. Ferguson, Lord Selkirk Lodge No. 137
W. Bro. Geo. M. Lardner, Beaver Lodge No. 139
R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat, Beaver Lodge No. 139
W. Bro. E. M. Finkleman, Mount Sinai Lodge No. 143
W. Bro. G. Wilson Rattray, Friendship Lodge No. 165

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

On behalf of the members of the Board of General Purposes, I beg to submit the following report containing a summary of the business transacted by the Board during the past Masonic year.

MEETING OF JUNE 4th, 1953

There were 36 members present.

The inaugural meeting of the Board was held in the Grand Lodge Room of the Royal Alexandra Hotel immediately after the close of Grand Lodge, for the purpose of organization.

By virtue of office, the Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans, became President of the Board, and R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett was elected Vice-President.

The Committee to strike Standing Committees was named as follows:

M.W. Bros. H. Coddington, F. H. Blythe, H. B. Donnelly, S. Burland, and W. C. McDonald, the first-named being Chairman.

It was made known that R.W. Bro. Evans was about to leave on a visit to England and best wishes for a pleasant trip were extended to him.

MEETING OF JUNE 19th, 1953

The Vice-President presided with 21 members present.

After the introduction of new members and a sincere word of appreciation and good wishes to M.W. Bro. Donnelly on his retirement from professional duties, the Board instructed M.W. Bro. Douglas to negotiate a visit from M.W. Bro. Claudy to our Grand Lodge in 1954 and gave approval of plans for a new lodge building submitted by Roblin Lodge No. 122.

The report of the Committee to Strike Standing Committees was presented and adopted, as also was the report of the Committee on Finance.

Plans submitted by Rivers Lodge No. 115 for a new Masonic Hall were approved. At the same time it was directed that Rivers Lodge be informed that in the opinion of the Board there should be an additional $5,000 in hand before the building programme should begin.

The Grand Secretary was instructed to point out to a certain Brother that in making reference to his Masonic affiliations in political advertising he had violated the accepted customs of Freemasonry.

Authorization was given to call for tenders for the reprinting of the Constitution, gratitude of the Board was expressed in the improvement in health of M.W. Bro. Gray, suggestions were made regarding the rank and title of Appointed Officers and Elected Officers of Grand Lodge, and also regarding the desirability of (1) increasing the numerical strength of the Board to 24, and (2) lengthening the term of membership to three years with eight members to be elected each year.

MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 18th, 1953

The Vice-President presided, with 39 members present.

Before the regular business was entered upon the Board paid tribute to the memory of M.W. Bro. Major recently deceased, congratulated M.W. Bro. Douglas on his article appearing in the Winnipeg Free Press, and expressed extreme pleasure in the fact that M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray was able to be present.

Regrets were expressed on receiving information that M.W. Bro. Claudy would be unable to visit Grand Lodge Communication of Manitoba in 1954. Information was received to the effect that construction of the new Masonic Building at Roblin was proceeding satisfactorily and that the necessary steps were being taken by Rivers Lodge regarding the purchase of property and building plans.

A tender from Wm. McLellan Printers for the reprinting of 3,000 copies of the Constitution was accepted, and the sale price for the new Constitution was fixed at $1.25 per single copy, or $1.15 each in dozen lots.

Special reference was made to a communication received through the Secretary to the Governor-General of Canada, expressing the pleasure of Her Majesty, the Queen, in receiving our expressions of good wishes on the occasion of her Coronation.

A report from the Committee on Masonic Research and Education gave the results of a survey to ascertain the extent to which the "Master's Assistant" was being used and upon recommendation of the Committee authorization was given to have a further supply of the books made available.

It was noted, too, that the Committee on Masonic Research and Education had made provision to supply speakers to lodges outside the area of greater Winnipeg, when requested to do so, and that arrangements were being made with reference to plans for Area Meetings next year and for special anniversary occasions.

Progress reports were received from the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry, the Committee on Foreign Relations, the Committee on Benevolence, and the Committee on Constitution and Revision.

A request from Elgin Lodge to change their place of meeting was tabled pending receipt of proper resolution regarding procedure, requests from Robbie Burns Lodge and from Manitou Lodge to change their respective places of meeting were granted and a petition to re-establish Marquette Lodge No. 21 at Portage la Prairie was approved.

Authorization was given for the signing officers of Grand Lodge to be any two of the following: Grand Master, Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer, Chairman of the Investment Committee, and Chairman of the Finance Committee.

The matter of procedure to be followed in connection with requests from Constituent Lodges regarding the buying and, or, selling of Lodge property was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence and Appeals for consideration and report.

The Grand Master was authorized to appoint a special committee to give consideration to, and report on, the matter of "lodges that do not hold regular meetings in accordance with their Constitution and By-laws."

The Grand Secretary gave a brief report on the Banff Conference, stressing the importance of the same and stating that M.W. Bro. Jackson of Alberta had been elected President of the Conference for the ensuing year. In this connection authorization was given for Manitoba's portion of the expense involved in mimeographing papers, etc., to be paid.

MEETING OF NOVEMBER 20th, 1953

The President presided with 34 members present.

On recommendation of the Committee on Foreign Relations, it was agreed that the private lodge in Brazil, soliciting financial aid to erect a Masonic building, and the Grand Lodge of Greece, asking for donations to repair earthquake damage to lodge buildings, be informed that there are no funds available in Grand Lodge of Manitoba for such purposes.

The request from Elgin Lodge No. 86 to be permitted to change their place of meeting was granted, the Board being satisfied that all constitutional requirements as to procedure in this regard had been met.

The matter of Place of Meeting for the 1954 Grand Lodge Communication was discussed at length, whereupon it was finally resolved that we continue our practice of alternating between the Royal Alexandra Hotel and the Fort Garry Hotel, and that the 1955 Communication be held in the former.

A request from Chapel Lawn Memorial Gardens for permission to establish a plot to be known as a Masonic Garden was respectfully declined on the ground that it is not the policy of Grand Lodge to endorse the use of the term "Masonic" for anything outside the immediate field of the Masonic Fraternity.

Payment of $15.00 was authorized to cover our registration fee in the Washington Grand Secretaries' Conference, dispensations were granted to Roblin Lodge No. 122, and to Temple Lodge No. 49, to change their respective places of meeting, and approval was given to the request from Seven Oaks Lodge No. 148 to be permitted to purchase a lot and building in Kildonan for lodge purposes for $20,000, paying $10,000 cash and to raise the remaining $10,000 by way of a mortgage on a basis of 6% interest.

In connection with the question submitted to the Committee on Jurisprudence and Appeals as to whether or not " a constituent lodge had first to obtain the approval of the Board of General Purposes before the purchase or sale of real property," the findings of the Committee in the affirmative were recognized and adopted.

The recommendation of the Committee on Masonic Research and Education that invitations be extended to Carman Lodge No. 155, Woodnorth Lodge No. 116, and Roblin Lodge No. 122 to act as Host Lodges for Area Meetings, was approved and authorization was given to proceed with the necessary arrangements for the same.

In the report of the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry it was pointed out that a thorough discussion of the condition of Freemasonry in each of the constituent lodges had taken place in Committee with D.D.G.M.'s present, and that, in the main, harmony prevailed with progress in anticipation. The Grand Master had urged the D.D.G.M.'s to keep in close touch with their respective districts, and to give particular attention to the planning for their visits to constituent lodges and to the arranging for District Meetings.

Progress reports were received from the Foreign Relations Committee, the Correspondence Committee, the Benevolence Committee, and the committee appointed to give attention to the matter of "Fire-Proof Facilities."

In connection with the report from the Investment Committee, approval was given to the investment of surplus funds, Government of Canada Bonds, as follows:

	Par	Cost
Masonic Disaster Relief Fund	$23,400	$22,305.25
War Effort Fund	800	752.00
Benevolent Endowment Fund	1,800	1,692.00

A recommendation from the Grand Chaplain which was introduced by M.W. Bro. Gray, Grand Master, to the effect that we establish the custom of holding annually, a Service of Public Thanksgiving, sponsored by Grand Lodge, was approved and authorization was given to have the necessary arrangements made.

M.W. Bro. Harry Gray also introduced and strongly urged support of the following suggestion: that a fund be created by personal contributions from the brethren of the Jurisdiction; such a fund to be known as the Masonic Brotherhood Disaster Fund for means of identifying it at the present time, and that the amount of the fund be set at $25,000.00. This suggestion was heartily endorsed, and approval was given to authorize the Finance Committee to advance a sum of up to $600 as a loan to take care of the necessary publicity that would be involved.

MEETING OF JANUARY 15th, 1953

The President presided with 36 members present.

A report from the Committee on the Revision of Masonic Districts was presented by its Chairman, M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni, calling for revision of District Boundaries in appreciation of the following points:

1. That the ideal number of lodges in any district seems to be eight (8).
2. That highway travel now seems to be more advantageous than train travel.
3. That closer ties of brotherhood should be established and maintained between city and country lodges.
4. That more advantage should be taken of our privilege in having both the Ancient York and the Canadian Rites within our Grand Jurisdiction.

The proposed revision divides the entire area into fourteen recognized districts, each consisting of eight constituent lodges, with four northern lodges in addition, placed temporarily under the direct supervision of the Grand Master. Further, district boundaries are so arranged that each of the York Rite Lodges in the Grand Jurisdiction is linked up with lodges of the Canadian Rite.

After much valuable discussion of the report, it was finally resolved that further discussion of it be deferred until the next regular meeting of the Board, at which it was hoped action would be taken.

Progress reports were received from the Committee on Lodge Meetings—Constitution—By-Laws, the Committee on the Masonic Brotherhood Disaster Fund, the Committee on Benevolence, and the Committee on Constitution and Revision.

The necessary consent and approval was given to Crescent Lodge No. 103 to purchase property legally described as Lots 12 and 13, Block 751, in the village of Elm Creek, Manitoba, together with a building 22 feet by 40 feet, situated on same, for the sum of $1,000.00 cash.

The Grand Master announced that the Service of Thanksgiving, referred to at the November meeting of the Board, would be held in Holy Trinity Church, Winnipeg, on Sunday evening, January 24th, 1954.

A letter from the Grand Lodge of Scotland reporting on the erection and consecration of the Grand Lodge of the State of Israel, was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations, and authorization was given to send the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary to Washington, D.C., as delegates to the Grand Masters' conference and the Conference of Grand Secretaries respectively.

Permission was given to Manitou Lodge No. 30 to purchase property legally described as Lot 23, Block 133, Plan 123, in the village of Manitou, for the sum of $2,500 cash, permission to form a new Masonic Lodge in Greater Winnipeg to be known as Menorah Lodge was granted, and authorization was given for the payment of $100 to the Canadian Masonic Research Association, in keeping with our recognized commitment.

In his report for the Committee on Masonic Research and Education, R.W. Bro. White pointed out that a panel of speakers was being arranged to visit constituent lodges upon invitation, that new books for the library had been ordered, and that Roblin Lodge, Carman Lodge, and Woodnorth Lodge had expressed their willingness to act as Host Lodges for Area Meetings.

A report from the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry was adopted, in which it was urged that the Historical Register of each constituent lodge be brought up to date and that provision be made in the minute book of each lodge for the insertion of Rulings and Directives from Grand Lodge.

In the discussion of this report there was some intimation that in some districts all was not well, whereupon the Grand Master urged that any irregularity known to the D.D.G.M., or any feature indicating a lack of interest or harmony, should be brought to his attention without delay.

Authorization was given to the Committee on Investments to reinvest the proceeds from the securities in the Benevolent Fund maturing on February 1st, 1954, and March 1st, 1954 respectively.

Attention was called to the colored Coat of Arms which had been completed by R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat, and a generous expression of appreciation was tendered.

MEETING OF MARCH 19th, 1954

The President presided, with 38 members present.

The report from the Committee on Redistribution of Masonic Districts having been introduced for further discussion and ample opportunity for the consideration of the proposed new plan of district boundaries having been provided, approval was finally given for the report to be recommended to Grand Lodge at its next sitting. Following this action an enthusiastic expression of appreciation was accorded to M.W. Bro. Fahrni and his committee for the splendid work done in preparing the report.

Progress reports were received from the Committee on Lodge By-Laws, the New Temple Committee, the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry, the Committee on Benevolence, the Committee on Reception and Arrangements, and the Committee on Constitution and Revision.

A report from the Committee on the Masonic Brotherhood Disaster Fund showed that thus far a total of $5,233 had been received from 1,037 contributions indicating an average of $5.05 per contribution.

The Grand Master gave a brief account of his impressions at the Grand Masters' Conference at Washington and indicated that at some later date, when more time might be available, he would report more fully.

The Grand Secretary spoke briefly of the Grand Secretaries' Conference which he had attended in company with the Grand Master, and praised those who had delivered papers or who otherwise had taken part in discussions. He felt that many good suggestions had been received which would be of value in his work as Grand Secretary and expressed his gratitude for having had the privilege of attending the Conference.

The main subjects discussed at the Conference were:

1. Uniformity of Procedures among Grand Lodge Secretaries.
2. Increased Responsibilities of Investigating Committees.
3. Lodge Attendance.
4. Annual Returns.

Permission was given to Manitouwapa Lodge No. 156 to accept a gift of property on which they hoped to erect a new temple building, dispensation was granted to Crescent Lodge No. 103 to change their place of meeting to their new Masonic Temple and authorization was given to Carberry Lodge No. 29, East Star Lodge No. 55, and Favel Lodge No. 126 to become incorporated.

A charge of Unmasonic Conduct, couched in the proper language and bearing the seal of the Lodge, was preferred by Prince Arthur Lodge No. 105 against one of its members, with a formal demand that the brother involved be tried according to Masonic Law and Usage. It was resolved, in this connection, that a Masonic Trial should be held and that a Commission consisting of M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni, M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald, and R.W. Bro. S. Hart Green be appointed, M.W. Bro. Fahrni to act as Chairman, and M.W. Bro. McDonald as Secretary.

A communication from the Grand Secretary, Grand Chapter Order of Eastern Star concerning accommodation arrangements for the annual communication of the two Grand Lodges, was ordered filed.

The Committee on Masonic Research and Education reported that 19 requests for Special Speakers had been received from constituent lodges and that arrangements were being made to supply the same.

The dates for the Area Meetings at Carman, Kenton and Roblin were announced to be April 23rd, April 29th, and April 30th respectively, and brief information was given indicating the nature of the programme to be followed at each meeting.

The Committee briefly outlined the work being done by its sub-committee on Masonic Education, and expressed great pleasure in the splendid work of the Grand Librarian.

It was resolved that the firm of Armstrong and Williams be the appointed auditors of Grand Lodge for the current year, and by resolution it was agreed that the matter of Grand Lodge officers who sign Charters for constituent lodges be referred to the Committee on Constitution and Revision for consideration and report.

MEETING OF MAY 7th, 1954

The President presided with 43 members present.

The Committee on the Masonic Brotherhood Disaster Fund reported returns from 111 lodges, that 2,807 contributions had been made and that a total of $12,404.13 had been received.

R.W. Bro. Kennedy reporting on the matter of signatures on Charters, gave as his considered opinion that "a charter should bear the date on which it was passed in Grand Lodge, and that the name of the Grand Master inscribed on the charter should be that of the Grand Master who was Grand Master at that time."

The following officers were authorized to represent the Grand Lodge of Manitoba at the next annual Banff Conference: the Grand Master, the Deputy Grand Master, and the Grand Secretary.

The annual report of the Grand Treasurer and that of the Grand Secretary were received together with reports from the standing committees on the following: Jurisprudence and Appeals, Research and Education, Condition of Freemasonry, Foreign Relations, Correspondence, Benevolence, Finance, Investments, Constitution and Revision, Reception and Arrangements.

The firm of Armstrong and Williams was appointed as Auditors for the ensuing year.

The Grand Master informed the Board that R.W. Bro. Rev. Harold L. Newton, Grand Chaplain, had accepted a call to a church in North Toronto and that he therefore had left the Manitoba Grand Jurisdiction. Fitting references were made expressing gratitude for the services of R.W. Bro. Newton, and enthusiastic endorsation was given to the request of the Grand Master that a letter of appreciation and good wishes be sent to him.

M.W. Bro. Fahrni made brief reference to the fact that comments had been received regarding the proposal for the re-allocation of districts and his recommendation that the proposed changes be held over for another year for further study was approved.

This report was presented by R.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans (113), who moved its adoption, seconded by M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole (7). Carried.

PETITIONS, APPEALS AND CORRESPONDENCE

PETITION FROM MARQUETTE LODGE U.D. FOR A CHARTER

This petition was read by the Grand Secretary and the following resolution was moved by M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (7), seconded by M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole (7) and carried, that:

WHEREAS the next step in dividing again Assiniboine Lodge No. 7 into its two original constituent lodges, Marquette Lodge having been granted a Dispensation by the M.W. Grand Master on the 20th day of October, 1953, and Instituted by M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray, the Grand Master, on the 26th day of October, 1953:

AND WHEREAS since that date has carried on successfully as a Lodge of Freemasonry in accordance with and in harmony with the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, as the report of the Grand Master to the Board of General Purposes will testify:

AND WHEREAS the said Lodge, having petitioned the Grand Lodge to grant them a Charter, which Petition with the approval of the Grand Master is now favorably recommended by the Board of General Purposes:

BE IT NOW RESOLVED that this Grand Lodge of Manitoba, grant the prayer of the Petition and that the said Lodge, situate in the City of Portage la Prairie be placed again on the Register of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, denominated Marquette Lodge and again numbered 21.

PETITION FROM MENORAH LODGE U.D. FOR A CHARTER

This petition was read by the Grand Secretary and the following resolution was moved by M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe (93), seconded by R.W. Bro. A. R. Dick (55) and carried, that:

WHEREAS Menorah Lodge, having been granted a Dispensation by the M.W. Grand Master on the 19th day of January, 1954, and Instituted by M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray, Grand Master on Wednesday, the 20th day of January, 1954 at East Kildonan, Manitoba:

AND WHEREAS since that date has carried on successfully as a Lodge of Freemasons, in accordance with and in harmony with the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, as the report of the M.W. Grand Master to the Board of General Purposes would testify:

AND WHEREAS the said Lodge, having petitioned the Grand Lodge to grant them a Charter, which Petition, with the approval of the M.W. Grand Master is now favorably recommended by the Board of General Purposes:

BE IT NOW RESOLVED that this Grand Lodge of Manitoba, grant the prayer of the Petition and that the said Lodge, situate in the Municipality of East Kildonan, Greater

Winnipeg, Manitoba, be placed on the Register of the Grand Lodge, denominated Menorah Lodge, and numbered 167.

Letters expressing best wishes for a most successful and harmonious Annual Communication were received from the following:

The Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia
The Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia
The Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Illinois
The Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter of Manitoba, O.E.S.
M.W. Bro. Geo. R. Calvert, P.G.M., Manitoba
M.W. Bro. George Moore, P.G.M. Alberta
M.W. Bro. Sam'l Harris, P.G.M. Alberta
M.W. Bro. W. J. Dunlop, P.G.M., Ontario
M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate, P.G.M., Saskatchewan
M.W. Bro. Wm. P. Sturtz, P.G.M., Minnesota
M.W. Bro. Wm. F. Holman, P.G.M., Minnesota
M.W. Bro. Ralph W. Stanford, P.G.M., Minnesota
M.W. Bro. Ray E. Cummins, P.G.M., Minnesota
M.W. Bro. Herman T. Olson, I.P.G.M., Minnesota
M.W. Bro. Harry W. Gill, P.G.M., North Dakota

REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members,
Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worship Sir and Brethren:

I respectfully present the Seventy-ninth Annual Report of the Grand Secretary for the year ended March 31st, 1954.

Copies of the Proceedings of the Seventy-eighth Annual Communication of Grand Lodge held on June 3rd and 4th, 1953, were prepared and mailed to each of the constituent lodges, the Officers of Grand Lodge, the members of the Board of General Purposes, and to the Grand Lodges and their Representatives with whom we are in fraternal relationship. A number of copies have been supplied to members of the Craft applying for same, however this number is small and I take this opportunity of informing the members that we have a surplus for those who may be interested in being better informed with regard to the workings of Grand Lodge.

Warning Circulars have been prepared in accordance with the decision of Grand Lodge and mailed to constituent lodges and other Bodies of Freemasonry under numbers 78A and 78B.

Certificates of Grand Lodge Officers, Past District Deputy Grand Masters and Master Masons, Life Members and Past Masters have been prepared and presented to those entitled to them, or forwarded to the Secretaries of the lodges concerned.

The statement showing all monies received and disbursed by Grand Lodge during the year and the indebtedness of lodges to Grand Lodge are included with the statements attached to the Report of the Grand Treasurer.

The returns on Form 42 show a gross increase in membership of 887 and a net gain of 265 (these figures are the lowest in five years), and compares with a gross gain of 1041 and a net gain of 499 in 1952. Details and analysis follow:

Membership as at December 31st, 1952 14,884

	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953
Additions:					
Initiations	791	745	729	720	691
Re-Instatements	51	42	45	48	50
Affiliations	156	147	135	164	146
Charter Members U.D.	.....	98	.....	107	33
	998	1032	909	1039	920
Adjustment, add	.....	.....	.....	2	.....
				1041	
Removals:					
By Demit	172	180	222	188	213
Suspended N.P.D.	75	113	112	95	108
Suspended U.M.C.	.....	1	1	.....	.....
By Death	263	244	210	259	301
	510	538	545	542	622
Adjustment, less	.....	5	18	.....	6
Net Increase	488	489	346	499	292

Membership as at December 31st, 1953 15,176

The following table shows the Degrees conferred in the various lodges for the past five years:

Entered Apprentice	791	745	729	720	691
Fellow Craft	774	747	704	724	673
Master Mason	774	680	750	732	697
	2339	2172	2183	2176	2061

Suspension, N.P.D.

67 Lodges have no suspensions for Non-Payment of Dues (68 in 1952).

47 Lodges have 108 suspensions for Non-Payment of Dues (45 Lodges showed 95 members in 1952).

Suspension U.M.C.:

There were no suspensions in 1953 (none in 1952).

Membership:

62 Lodges show an increase in membership, compared to 31 Lodges in 1952.

45 Lodges show a decrease in membership, compared to 31 Lodges in 1952.

5 Lodges show a membership unchanged, compared to 16 Lodges in 1952.

13 Lodges had no Initiations, compared to 11 Lodges in 1952.

11 Lodges conferred no degrees at all, compared to 6 Lodges in 1952.

Further details may be gathered from the Statistical Table which appears elsewhere in these Proceedings.

DISPENSATIONS ISSUED—April 1st, 1953, to March 31, 1954.

	1952-53	1953-54
To hold joint installation of Officers	16	12
To attend Divine Service in Regalia	47	48
To change lodge premises	5	6
To change place of meeting	10	12
Special Election and Installation of Officers	14	12
To confer degrees after receiving Waivers	9	10
To hold District Meetings	11	11
Conferring Degrees within specified time	3	2
Waiving residence qualifications	4	1
Special emergent meetings	2	0
To reballot on Petitioner for Degrees	1	0
To hele infraction of the Constitution	0	1
	122	115

AMENDMENTS TO LODGE BY-LAWS:

Regular Meetings—Lodges 2, 13, 19, 25, 30, 43, 48, 55, 84, 114, 118, 119, 121, 123, 130, 136, 137, 138, 144, 145, 153, 154, 156, 160, 161, 162.

Honorary Membership—Lodge 8.

Life Membership—Lodges 8, 19, 30, 84, 116, 119, 121, 125, 127, 138, 152 153.

Fees .... Lodges 68, 102, 121, 126, 130, 159

Dues .... Lodges 68, 70, 102, 112, 121, 122, 126, 130, 136, 138, 144, 148, 157, 159, 165.

Election of Officers .... Lodge 151

Funds of the Lodge .... Lodges 3, 19, 121, 144, 148, 153, 163

Control of Petitions for Membership .... Lodge 144

Balloting .... Lodge 84

Committees .... Lodges 3, 148

Business Routine .... Lodge 162

Complete revision .... Lodges 8, 52, 100, 109, 118, Marquette U.D.

By authority of Grand Lodge at its Communication held on June 3rd and 4th, 1953, the following Charters have been issued:

Friendship Lodge No. 165, situate in the Municipality of Fort Garry, Manitoba, issued on September 3rd, 1953, and the Lodge Constituted and Consecrated on that date.

Woodworth Lodge No. 166, situate in the Village of Kenton, Manitoba, issued on July 16th, 1953, and the Lodge Constituted and Consecrated on that date.

The Grand Master has also been pleased to grant dispensations for the formation of two new lodges which were Instituted as follows:

Marquette Lodge, U.D., situate in the City of Portage la Prairie, Manitoba. Instituted on October 20th, 1953.

Menorah Lodge, U.D., situate in the Municipality of East Kildonan, Manitoba. Instituted on January 20th, 1954.

The list of Grand Representatives appointed since the previous Annual Communication are included in the Grand Master's Address.

There are no items of unfinished business from the previous Annual Communication.

There have been many requests from lodges outside the area of Greater Winnipeg for visitation of their members while sick in the Winnipeg Hospitals. These requests were referred to, and the visits have been cheerfully taken care of by the respective Sick and Visiting Committees of the Winnipeg Lodges and I feel sure the requesting lodges would like me to take this means of conveying their thanks to the Committees concerned.

During 1953 it was noticed that a number of lodges recessed for one or more months in July, August and September, without proper authorization in their by-laws; subsequently a complete review was made of the By-laws of all constituent lodges, after which the results were reported to the Board of General Purposes at its meeting of September 18th, 1953, when a Committee was appointed to go further into the matter and it is expected will have recommendations to make shortly.

Feeling that some benefit would be obtained from a meeting with the Lodge Secretaries, and as it was not possible to meet with all of them, I invited the Secretaries of all lodges in Greater Winnipeg to a meeting in the Grand Secretary's Office on the evening of January 22nd, 1954—seventeen of them were able to attend and from the discussions which took place and the recommendations made, I believe it was generally felt that the meeting was a success and that similar meetings should be held annually.

The G.A.O.T.U. in His wise Providence having granted our prayers with respect to the health of our Grand Master, a Special Communication of Grand Lodge was called for Wednesday, August 19th, 1953, when he was duly Installed into Office by M.W. Brother Maurice S. Donovan, and I join with all Officers and members in giving heartfelt thanks that his health has been so improved that he has been able to undertake all the subsequent duties of his office.

At the request of The Pas, Flin Flon and Fort Prince of Wales Lodges, members of the Grand Jurisdiction were given the opportunity of accompanying the Grand Master when making his Official Visit during 1953. When arrangements were complete, including Grand Lodge Officers, there were forty-three members in the party, M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe acting for the Grand Master. The full story was told in the October 1953 issue of Masonry in Manitoba. We found Freemasonry to be in a healthy condition at these far distant points and returned with the feeling that in our search for Brotherhood we had been successful and had made many new friends.

On June 10th and 11th, 1953, I accompanied the representative of the Grand Master to the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of

Alberta, where I was conferred with the Honorary Rank of Past Senior Grand Warden, a distinction which I prize very highly. On June 17th and 18th, 1953, it was also my pleasure for the second time to attend the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, and on March 16th, 17th and 18th, 1954, I accompanied the Grand Master to the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota. These visits I find to be most instructive and informative with respect to the Office which I hold.

On September 10th, 11th and 12th, 1953, with other delegates I attended the Thirteenth Annual Inter-Provincial Conference of the Officers of the Four Western Masonic Jurisdictions at Banff; there was a very good attendance and we had the pleasure of hearing a very thought-provoking address given by M.W. Bro. Robt. A. Tate, Grand Secretary of Saskatchewan on "My Church and My Lodge." The Agenda also included papers and discussions on the following topics:

Should Lodges Participate in Community Service Activities.
The Moral Obligation of the North-East Angle Lecture.
The Use and Abuse of the Privilege of Lodge Visitation.
Responsibilities and Duties of a District Deputy Grand Master.

Copies of the main Address and the papers have been forwarded to every constituent Lodge in the Jurisdiction and it is hoped that the Masters of the various lodges have been able to put them to use by introducing some of the topics for discussion in their lodge meetings.

I also attended the Conference of the Grand Lodge Secretaries in North America held at Washington, D.C., on Wednesday, February 24th, 1954, the subjects on the Agenda being:

Uniformity of Procedure Among Grand Lodge Secretaries.
Increased Responsibility of Investigating Committees.
Lodge Attendance.
Annual Returns, Make-up, Requirements, Penalties, etc.

It is a great privilege to be delegated to attend these Conferences and is an opportunity for education in Grand Lodge matters as well as making the personal acquaintance of so many Grand Secretaries with whom I have corresponded.

I also attended the Grand Master at every District Meeting as well as many other special events at which I was given the privilege of speaking to the brethren on various topics and more particularly with respect to Lodge By-laws, the make-up and operation of Grand Lodge, etc. It is my hope that I was able to convince the Lodge Officers that they never need to hesitate to write to the Grand Secretary's Office for advice if they are in doubt with respect to any matter affecting their Lodge.

Before closing this report, I wish to express my appreciation to the Secretaries of all Constituent Lodges for their co-operation in regard to correspondence, semi-annual reports, prompt replies to letters and the careful compilation of reports in addition to enabling us to complete our records on time assists us in our efforts, to some extent in these days of rising costs, to keep expense down to the minimum.

In conclusion, I desire to express my thanks to the members of the Committee on Finance for their ready advice when needed, to all Grand Lodge Officers and other members of the Board for their assistance and also to my assistant, Miss Margaret Anderson, and the Executive Secretary, W.Bro. Gordon McKenzie, for their willing co-operation given at all times.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. C. JACKSON,
Grand Secretary.

This report was presented by the Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson (3). It was moved by R.W. Bro. J. F. Irwin (24), seconded by R.W. Bro. A. E. Duff (130) that it be received and referred to the Committee on the Grand Secretary's Report. Carried.

REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through the Grand Treasurer presents the following statements covering transactions for the year ending March 31st, 1954:

General Fund
Exhibit "A"—Balance Sheet
Exhibit "B"—Statement of Income and Expenditure
Schedule "1"—Accounts Receivable

Benevolent Endowment Fund
Exhibit "C"—Balance Sheet
Exhibit "D"—Statement of Income and Expenditure

Beneficiary Fund
Exhibit "E"—Balance Sheet
Exhibit "F"—Statement of Income and Expenditure
Schedule "2"—Statement of Beneficiary Fund Payments

Flood Fund (Now Disaster Relief Fund)
Exhibit "G"—Balance Sheet

War Effort Fund
Exhibit "H"—Balance Sheet

Masonic Brotherhood Disaster Fund
Exhibit "I"—Statement of Receipts and Disbursements
Exhibit "K"—Consolidated Balance Sheet

All accounts have been audited and found correct by the Grand Lodge Auditors whose certificate is appended hereto.

It is a pleasure to report that the finances of our Grand Lodge are in a healthy condition, Insurances are up-to-date, our Investments in order with interest collected and deposited. Details of the Financial aspect of Grand Lodge will be found in the Auditors' Report and Statement.

I wish to express my thanks to the Grand Secretary and his staff for their co-operation and for the fellowship and guidance of the members of the Committee on Finance.

Fraternally submitted

W. PERCY WHITE,
Grand Treasurer.

This report was presented by R.W. Brother W. Percy White (4) who moved its adoption, seconded by M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe (93). Carried.

April 9, 1954

To the Most Worshipful The Grand Master, Officers and Members,
Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.,
Winnipeg, Manitoba.

In accordance with your instructions we have audited the accounts of the Grand Secretary and Treasurer of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M., for the year ended March 31, 1954, and now present the undernoted Financial Statements.

General Fund:
Exhibit "A"—Balance Sheet.
Exhibit "B"—Statement of Income and Expenditure.
Schedule "1"—Accounts Receivable.

Benevolent Endowment Fund:
Exhibit "C"—Balance Sheet.
Exhibit "D"—Statement of Income and Expenditure.

Beneficiary Fund:
Exhibit "E"—Balance Sheet.
Exhibit "F"—Statement of Income and Expenditure.
Schedule "2"—Statement of Beneficiary Fund Payments.

Flood Fund (Now Disaster Relief Fund):
Exhibit "G"—Balance Sheet.

War Effort Fund:
Exhibit "H"—Balance Sheet.

Masonic Brotherhood Disaster Fund:
Exhibit "I"—Statement of Receipts and Disbursements.
Exhibit "K"—Consolidated Balance Sheet.

Cash in Bank:
The balances in Bank were confirmed by certificates obtained by us direct from the Bank.

Investments:
The securities representing the investments were inspected and found in order.

Yours truly,

ARMSTRONG & WILLIAMS,
Chartered Accountants.

Exhibit "A"

BALANCE SHEET
GENERAL FUND
As at March 31, 1954

ASSETS

Current:

Cash in Canadian Bank of Commerce	$10,092.44
Cash in Hand (Petty)	100.00
Accounts Receivable (Per Schedule "1")	464.60
	$10,657.04
Inventories:	
Supplies and Stock	4,875.80
Investment:	
Government of Canada Bonds 1966—3% (Par Value $10,000.00)	10,500.00
Equipment:	
Furniture and Fixtures Regalia Library and Fixtures Valued at	1.00
	$26,033.84

LIABILITIES

Surplus (Per Exhibit "B")	$26,033.84

We have audited the accounts of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba A.F. & A.M., for the year ended March 31, 1954, and we have obtained all the information and explanations required.

After due consideration we have formed an independent opinion as to the position of the Corporation.

In our opinion, so formed, and to the best of our information, and the explanations given to us, we certify that the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up and sets forth fairly and truly the state of the Corporation as at March 31, 1954.

All transactions of the Corporation that have come within our notice have been within the objects and powers of the Corporation to the best of our information and belief.

ARMSTRONG & WILLIAMS,
Chartered Accountants.

Winnipeg, Man., April 9, 1954.

Exhibit "B"

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE
GENERAL FUND
For the Year Ended March 31, 1954

INCOME

Dues	$21,803.75
Initiations	1,386.00
M.M. Certificates	1,436.00
L.M. Certificates	128.00
P.M. Certificates	103.50
Dispensations	207.00
Bond Interest	300.00
Stock	1,060.63
Fidelity Bonds	31.75
	$26,456.63

EXPENDITURE

Salaries and Honorariums		$ 9,715.00	
Grand Lodge Communication		3,138.37	
Masonry in Manitoba		2,453.51	
Annuities		497.52	
Library Maintenance		1,394.10	
Rent		1,500.00	
Grand Master		1,099.97	
Northern Trip		332.50	
Board Meetings		950.82	
Grand Secretary and Grand Lodge Officers		346.29	
Consecration and Constitution		78.41	
Area Meetings		1,147.31	
Stationery, Office Expense and Supplies		779.81	
Regalia G.M. & Officers		1,215.80	
Conferences:			
Banff	$389.25		
Washington	559.06		
		948.31	
Audit		400.00	
Postage and Express		261.68	
Certificates L.M.		59.40	
Certificates M.M.		251.41	
Donation		75.25	
Telephone and Telegraph		156.67	
Committee Meetings		234.97	
Flowers		49.33	
Jewels 50 Year		275.00	
Masonic Relief Association		107.20	
Insurance		150.92	
Unemployment Insurance		101.66	
Exchange		35.49	
Safety Deposit Box		25.00	
Miscellaneous		139.90	27,921.60
Excess of Expenditure over Income			$ 1,464.97
Surplus as at March 31, 1953		$25,095.87	
Add: Adjustment re Stock and Supplies on Hand for Sale	$2,119.65		
Refund All Canada Conference	283.29	2,402.94	27,498.81
Surplus as at March 31, 1954			$26,033.84

Schedule "1"

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE
GENERAL FUND
As at March 31, 1954

No.	Name of Lodge	Amount Dr.	 Cr.
2.	Lisgar	$ 15.20	
3.	Ancient Landmark	14.55	
4.	St. John's	2.00	
6.	Emerson	1.00	
12.	Stonewall	.75	
13.	Morden	....	1.50
15.	Corinthian	....	2.00
27.	Glenwood	4.00	
30.	Manitou	20.45	
36.	Doric	18.95	
39.	Birtle	25.75	
43.	Lebanon	5.50	
44.	Oak Lake	1.00	
48.	Glenboro	.75	
50.	Killarney	1.50	
54.	Oriental	1.00	
68.	Vermillion	18.15	
70.	Shiloh	11.10	
84.	Hamiota	....	6.75
86.	Elgin	18.30	
90.	Midlothian	.25	
93.	King Edward	.45	
94.	Hiram	2.70	
100.	Robbie Burns	1.20	
101.	Binscarth	2.00	
103.	Crescent	14.95	
104.	Reston	1.35	
105.	Prince Arthur	17.70	
107.	Lansdowne	3.15	
108.	Union	1.25	
109.	Swan Lake	7.80	
115.	Rivers	8.00	
116.	St. Andrews	....	2.00
117.	Strathcona	2.00	
119.	Norwood	5.00	
120.	Penza	7.00	
122.	Roblin	....	1.00
124.	The Pas	1.75	
125.	Patricia	15.00	
126.	Favel	2.00	
131.	Kildonan	.75	
133.	McCreary	2.00	
136.	Capital	2.80	
139.	Beaver	8.65	
143.	Mt. Sinai	28.05	
	Carried Forward	$295.75	$13.25

Schedule "1"

(Continued)

No.	Name of Lodge.	Amount Dr.	Amount Cr.
	Brought Forward	$295.75	$13.25
144.	Fort Osborne	11.90	
145.	Sturgeon Creek	3.60	
146.	Fidelity	15.80	
148.	Seven Oaks	14.55	
151.	The Dormer	1.25	
153.	Flin Flon	32.25	
154.	Pine Falls	6.50	
157.	Rice Lake	7.20	
158.	Fenwick	13.15	
159.	Newdale	8.00	
162.	Ashlar	6.30	
163.	Charleswood	7.65	
164.	Harry Woods	.50	
165.	Friendship	3.40	
U.D.	Menorah	50.05	
		$477.85	$13.25
		13.25	
		$464.60	

Exhibit "C"

BALANCE SHEET

BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND

As at March 31, 1954

ASSETS

	Par Value		
Current:			
Cash in Canadian Bank of Commerce			$ 1,873.76
Investments:			
Province of Manitoba Debentures	$ 54,000.00	$ 53,876.25	
Government of Canada Bonds	206,900.00	206,578.51	
Canadian National Railway Bonds	27,000.00	27,098.75	
City of Winnipeg Debentures	37,000.00	34,780.00	
Ontario Hydro Electric	9,000.00	8,980.00	
Canadian West Indies Steamship Limited	1,000.00	1,000.00	
		$332,313.51	
Interest Accrued		115.94	
			332,429.45
			$334,303.21

LIABILITIES

Surplus (Per Exhibit "D")	$334,303.21

We have audited the accounts of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M., for the year ended March 31, 1954, and we have obtained all the information and explanations required.

After due consideration we have formed an independent opinion as to the position of the Corporation.

In our opinion, so formed, and to the best of our information, and the explanations given to us, we certify that the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up and sets forth fairly and truly the state of the affairs of the Corporation as at March 31, 1954.

All transactions of the Corporation that have come within our notice have been within the objects and powers of the Corporation to the best of our information and belief.

ARMSTRONG & WILLIAMS,
Chartered Accountants.

Winnipeg, Man., April 9, 1954.

Exhibit "D"

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND

For the year ended March 31, 1954

INCOME

Donations Lodges	$ 791.21
Life Members Fees	640.00
Premium on Bond Matured	5.00
	$ 1,436.21

EXPENDITURE

Exchange	1.65
Excess of Income over Expenditure	$ 1,434.56
Surplus as at March 31, 1953	332,868.65
Surplus as at March 31, 1954	$334,303.21

Exhibit "E"

BALANCE SHEET

BENEFICIARY FUND

As at March 31, 1954

ASSETS

Current:			
Cash in Canadian Bank of Commerce:			
Savings Account		$ 7,525.55	
Current Account		336.43	$ 7,861.98
Investments:	Par Value		
Government of Canada Bonds	$38,900.00	$38,843.75	
Province of Manitoba	10,000.00	10,125.00	
Canadian National Railway	7,000.00	6,973.75	55,942.50
			$63,804.48

LIABILITIES

Surplus (Per Exhibit "F")	$63,804.48

We have audited the accounts of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M., for the year ended March 31, 1954, and we have obtained all the information and explanations required.

After due consideration we have formed an independent opinion as to the position of the Corporation.

In our opinion, so formed, and to the best of our information, and the explanations given to us, we certify that the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up and sets forth fairly and truly the state of the affairs of the Corporation as at March 31, 1954.

All transactions of the Corporation that have come within our notice have been within the objects and powers of the Corporation to the best of our information and belief.

ARMSTRONG & WILLIAMS,
Chartered Accountants.

Winnipeg, Man., April 9, 1954.

Exhibit "F"

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

BENEFICIARY FUND

For the year ended March 31, 1954

INCOME

Interest—Bonds and Debentures:		
Endowment Fund	$11,023.75	
Beneficiary Fund	1,693.25	
		$12,717.00
Interest—Bank		35.39
		$12,752.39

EXPENDITURE

Beneficiary Fund (Per Schedule "2")	$14,493.30	
Postage, Printing and Stationery	300.00	14,793.30
Excess of Expenditure over Income		$ 2,040.91
Surplus as at March 31, 1953		65,845.39
Surplus as at March 31, 1954		$63,804.48

Schedule "2"

STATEMENT OF BENEFICIARY FUND PAYMENTS

For the year ended March 31, 1954

No.	Name of Lodge	Case No.	Amount
1.	Prince Rupert's	347	$125.00
1.	Prince Rupert's	378	245.15
1.	Prince Rupert's	400	245.00
2.	Lisgar	268	125.00
2.	Lisgar	387	365.15
2.	Lisgar	407	485.00
3.	Ancient Landmark	232	185.15
3.	Ancient Landmark	345	425.15
3.	Ancient Landmark	374	245.00
4.	St. John's	302	125.00
4.	St. John's	397	485.00
8.	King Solomon	296	45.00
10.	Northern Light	316	245.00
14.	Prince of Wales	348	245.15
24.	Neepawa	307	155.15
24.	Neepawa	399	485.15
24.	Neepawa	398	485.15
39.	Birtle	389	185.00
40.	Deloraine	396	365.15
43.	Lebanon	341	305.15
44.	Oak Lake	394	365.00
44.	Oak Lake	405	305.15
68.	Vermillion	380	245.15
70.	Shiloh	383	30.00
70.	Shiloh	411	30.00
84.	Hamiota	310	245.00
90.	Midlothian	323	245.15
90.	Midlothian	373	245.15
92.	Shoal Lake	404	365.00
93.	King Edward	364	305.00
93.	King Edward	375	605.00
93.	King Edward	412	345.00
100.	Robbie Burns	291	365.15
103.	Crescent	350	365.15
108.	Union	415	20.00
111.	Acacia	376	365.00
113.	Tweed	365	125.15
113.	Tweed	393	245.00
119.	Norwood	124	125.00
119.	Norwood	318	125.15
119.	Norwood	388	365.00
119.	Norwood	413	100.00
120.	Penza	414	185.15
124.	The Pas	401	365.15
129.	Shellmouth	409	125.15
	Carried forward		$11,778.15

Schedule "2"
(Continued)

STATEMENT OF BENEFICIARY FUND PAYMENTS

For the year ended March 31, 1954

No.	Name of Lodge.	Case No.	Amount
	Brought Forward		$11,778.15
131.	Kildonan	406	185.00
134.	Stony Mountain	355	365.00
134.	Stony Mountain	392	305.00
137.	Lord Selkirk	367	245.00
139.	Beaver	381	125.00
140.	Meridian	363	270.00
146.	Fidelity	410	365.00
148.	Seven Oaks	368	125.00
151.	The Dormer	386	365.00
153.	Flin Flon	352	365.15
			$14,493.30

Exhibit "G"

FLOOD RELIEF (NOW DISASTER RELIEF FUND)

BALANCE SHEET

As at March 31, 1954

ASSETS

Cash in Canadian Bank of Commerce			$ 564.88
Investments:	Par Value	Cost	
Government of Canada Bonds:			
1957—3%	$3,400.00	$3,349.00	
1959—3%	5,000.00	4,862.50	
1962—3%	5,000.00	4,750.00	
1963—3%	5,000.00	4,700.00	
1966—3%	5,000.00	4,643.75	
			22,305.25
Surplus as at March 31, 1954			$22,870.13
Surplus as at March 31, 1953		$22,590.96	
Add:			
Interest Bonds	$ 279.00		
Interest Bank	.17		
		279.17	
			$22,870.13

Exhibit "H"

WAR EFFORT FUND

BALANCE SHEET

As at March 31, 1954

ASSETS

Current:		
Cash in Canadian Bank of Commerce		$ 80.95
	Par Value	
Government of Canada Bond 1963—3%	$800.00	
		752.00
		$832.95

SURPLUS

Balance as at March 31, 1953		$826.70	
Add:			
Bank Interest	$2.14		
Bond Interest	4.11		
		6.25	
Surplus as at March 31, 1954			$832.95

Exhibit "I"

MASONIC BROTHERHOOD DISASTER FUND

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

For the Period January 8 to March 31, 1954

Receipts:		
Donations		$5,955.80
Disbursements:		
Expenses	$428.83	
Exchange	10.12	
		438.95
Cash in Bank March 31, 1954		$5,516.85

Exhibit "K"

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

As at March 31, 1954

ASSETS

Current:			
Cash in Canadian Bank of Commerce		$ 25,990.86	
Cash on Hand		100.00	
Accounts Receivable		464.60	
			$ 26,555.46
Inventory Supplies and Stock			4,875.80
Equipment, Furniture and Fixtures, Regalia, Library and Fixtures Valued at			1.00
Investments:	Par Value		
Province of Manitoba Debentures	$ 64,000.00	$ 64,001.25	
City of Winnipeg Debentures	$ 37,000.00	34,780.00	
Government of Canada Bonds	280.000.00	278,979.51	
Canadian National Railway Bonds	34,000.00	34,072.50	
Ontario Hydro Electric	9,000.00	8,980.00	
Canadian West Indies Steamship Limited	1,000.00	1,000.00	
	$425,000.00	$421,813.26	
Interest Accrued		115.94	
			$421,929.20
			$453,361.46

LIABILITIES

Surplus:		
General	$ 26,033.84	
Endowment	334,303.21	
Beneficiary	63,804.48	
Disaster Relief Fund	22,870.13	
War Effort	832.95	
Masonic Brotherhood Disaster Fund	5,516.85	
Total Surplus as at March 31, 1954		$453,361.46
		$453,361.46

We have audited the accounts of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M., for the year ended March 31, 1954, and we have obtained all the information and explanations required.

After due consideration we have formed an independent opinion as to the position of the Corporation.

In our opinion, so formed, and to the best of our information, and the explanations given to us, we certify that the above Balance Sheet is properly drawn up and sets forth fairly and truly the state of the affairs of the Corporation as at March 31, 1954.

All transactions of the Corporation that have come within our notice have been within the objects and powers of the Corporation to the best of our information and belief.

ARMSTRONG & WILLIAMS,
Chartered Accountants.

Winnipeg, Man., April 9, 1954.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Foreign Relations reports there have been no matters submitted during the past year which required action by this Grand Lodge.

A year ago, you adopted a recommendation of this Committee to enter into Fraternal Relationship and exchange Representatives with, the Grand Lodge of Argentina. In due time your action was put into effect and we are greatly impressed with their printed Proceedings covering their Ninety-fifth Annual Communication. They are one of the few South American Grand Lodges to print their Proceedings in English, much to the delight and better understanding of your Committee.

We have also received a copy of a report made to the Grand Lodge of Scotland by its Commissioner, Right Honorable The Earl of Elgin, R.W. Past Grand Master of Scotland, covering the Erection and Consecration of the United Grand Lodge of the State of Israel in October, 1953. This report featured an impressive gesture of brotherly understanding and co-operation when the existing Lodges of Israel surrendered their Charters and accepted membership in and pledged obedience to the new Grand Lodge. It is our prayer that the harmony and understanding exemplified by this Grand Lodge may extend into the national life of Israeli and bring peace and good will to that strife-torn land.

Your Committee has no knowledge of distress and upheaval other than that reported in the past.

After a generation of world-wide destruction and hate, Freemasonry is quietly and gently laboring to re-establish its Temples and set the brethren to work again, to rebuild those spiritual temples that are perhaps the world's greatest need.

Masons in this Jurisdiction would profit greatly in appreciation of their Masonic blessings if they understood the powerful, religious, political and ignorant opposition with which many of our friendly Grand Lodges are in combat at all times, not only through their Lodges, but also in their homes and schools.

Your Committee makes the urgent suggestion that our Foreign Representatives make it their task to communicate with the Grand Lodge they represent, if possible through our Representative near that Grand Lodge, and create a sympathetic understanding and a feeling of good will in the difficulties they are facing.

Fraternally submitted on behalf of your Committee,

FRED H. BLYTHE,
Chairman.

This report was presented by M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe

(93) who moved its adoption, seconded by M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (7). Carried.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENCE

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through its Committee on Benevolence beg to submit herewith its Annual Report for the year ended March 31st, 1954.

During the year, your Committee held three meetings to consider and review renewals and new applications.

Of the 53 Beneficiaries as at April 1st, 1953, six have been removed (3 voluntarily and 3 by death) and three new cases have been added, making a total of 50 Beneficiaries as at March 31st, 1954, a decrease of 3 as compared with March 31st, 1953.

Your Committee is pleased to report that funds available for Benevolence are such that your Committee has been able to deal generously with those in need of financial assistance.

The amount of monies expended during the fiscal year was $14,493.30 as compared with $14,788.30 for the previous year. While the amount expended is considerably more than the revenue received through interest on bonds of the Benevolent Endowment Fund and the Beneficiary Fund, there is still a substantial balance remaining in the Beneficiary Fund.

Your Committee acknowledges with grateful thanks additional monies placed to the credit of the Benevolent Endowment Fund during the year by donations:

Through Constituent Lodges and brethren	$ 791.21
Life Membership Fees	$ 640.00
	$1,431.21

Your Committee is pleased to advise that the usual $5.00 cheques were sent to all Beneficiaries at Christmas.

Your Committee wish again to call to the attention of Masters and Secretaries of Constituent Lodges, the importance of adhering to the regulations as defined in Section 11-B (3) of the Constitution respecting grants to Beneficiaries and particularly in notifying the Grand Secretary of full details respecting renewals, removals and new applications.

Your Committee has endeavored to administer the Fund so those in need of assistance have been amply provided for.

Respectfully submitted

HARRY CODDINGTON
Chairman

DONATIONS TO THE BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND

Prince Rupert's No. 1	$100.00
Lisgar Lodge No. 2	40.00
Emerson Lodge No. 6	47.53
Prince of Wales Lodge No. 14	50.00
Neepawa Lodge No. 24	25.00
Manitou Lodge No. 30	25.00
Deloraine Lodge No. 40	49.00
Oak Lake Lodge No. 44	20.00
Glenboro Lodge No. 48	25.00
Oriental Lodge No. 54	25.00
Vermillion Lodge No. 68	20.00
Strathcona Lodge No. 117	11.00
Norwood Lodge No. 119	25.00
Penza Lodge No. 120	$ 20.04
McCreary Lodge No. 133	5.00
The Dormer Lodge No. 151	50.00
Pine Falls Lodge No. 154	77.00
Manitouwapa Lodge No.156	48.00
Rice Lake Lodge No. 157	59.00
Friendship Lodge No. 166	27.94
W. C. McDonald (70)	6.70
N. Rothstein (141)	25.00
Thos. Gibson (4)	10.00
Total	$791.21

On behalf of M.W. Bro. H. Coddington (1), Chairman of this Committee, this report was presented by M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4), who moved its adoption, seconded by R.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4). Carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray announced that the reception of Distinguished Guests and the Reception of the Grand Representatives of Sister Grand Jurisdictions would take place at the Evening Session.

ADJOURNMENT

The Afternoon Session was adjourned at 4.24 p.m., to be resumed at 8.00 o'clock in the evening.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2nd, 1954

Evening Session

LABOR RESUMED

The Grand Master, Grand Lodge Officers and Past Grand Masters entered the Grand Lodge Room in procession, the brethren singing the Processional Hymn "Not Alone for Mighty Empire."

Grand Lodge was called from Refreshment to Labor by the Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray.

A Guard of Honor, a detail of brethren who are members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, under the command of W. Bro. Sgt. Howard M. Weir were piped into the Grand Lodge room by Pipe-Major Bro. J. Reay and Piper J. Reay, and lined the two sides of the room.

At the direction of M.W. the Grand Master, the Grand Director of Ceremonies, R.W. Bro. David Rothstein retired and re-entered to escort our Distinguished Guests into Grand Lodge.

Grand Lodge of Alberta
    M.W. Bro. W. H. Jackson, Grand Master
    M.W. Bro. G. F. Ellis, P.G.M.
    Introduced by M.W. Brother Charles E. Cole (7)

Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan
    M.W. Bro. R. L. Hanbidge, Grand Master
    M.W. Bro. R. A. Tate, Grand Secretary
    Introduced by M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly (138)

Grand Lodge of Minnesota
    M.W. Bro. L. E. Matson, Grand Master
    R.W. Bro. W. L. Hillyer, Deputy Grand Master
    M.W. Bro. L. H. Colson, P.G.M.
    M.W. Bro. C. C. Colton, P.G.M.
    M.W. Bro. C. L. Jacobson, P.G.M.
    M.W. Bro. E. W. Johnson, P.G.M.
    M.W. Bro. G. W. Christie, P.G.M.
    R.W. Bro. C. M. Norton, Director of Masonic Service
    W. Bro. D. E. Palmer, Assistant Grand Secretary
    Introduced by M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe (93)

Grand Lodge of Montana
M.W. Bro. J. E. Patterson, Grand Master
M.W. Bro. B. F. Gaither, Grand Secretary
Introduced by M.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran (27)

Grand Lodge of North Dakota
M.W. Bro. E. J. Franta, I.P.G.M.
M.W. Bro. H. S. Pond, Grand Secretary
M.W. Bro. G. C. Hulett, P.G.M.
M.W. Bro. C. M. Pollock, P.G.M.
M.W. Bro. J. A. Stormon, P.G.M.
Introduced by M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4)

Grand Lodge of South Dakota
M.W. Bro. R. R. Twamley, P.G.M.
Introduced by M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald (70)

Grand Lodge of Virginia
M.W. Bro. H. M. Reid, Grand Master
Introduced by M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (7)

These guests were received with Grand Honors and were welcomed by the M.W. Grand Master. He said that to be blessed by the presence of one's immediate family and close friends at home brings one great joy, and having one's Masonic family and Masonic friends at one's Masonic home is equally as fine a pleasure.

To the Representatives of our daughter Grand Lodges of Saskatchewan and Alberta he expressed the hope that the family ties would grow stronger as the years go by. He extended a special welcome to the Representatives of the Grand Lodge of Montana who were present at our Communication for the first time. To M.W. Bro. Hugh M. Reid, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Virginia and Representative for many years of our Grand Lodge near the Grand Lodge of Virginia, he tendered a special welcome and hoped that all would enjoy their visit and have a pleasant stay with us.

Our visitors, along with their sponsors, were then invited to seats in the Grand East.

FLAG CEREMONY

Under command of Bro. Sgt. Major John E. Primrose, R.C.M.P., the Flag Bearers entered Grand Lodge. Bro.

Cpl. R.C.A. Leach carrying the Union Jack and Bro. Cpl. D. Henzie carrying the Stars and Stripes.

The Flags were presented at the Altar, after which they were carried to the Grand East, to remain for the duration of the Sessions.

The members present sang one verse of "God Save the Queen," and the "Star Spangled Banner." The Flag Bearers and Guard of Honor were then piped out, retiring from the Meeting.

PRESENTATIONS OF COMMISSIONS TO GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

At the request of the Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray, the Grand Director of Ceremonies, R.W. Bro. D. Rothstein escorted to the Grand East, the brethren who were to receive their Commissions as Grand Representatives:

United Grand Lodge of England	M.W. Bro. Maurice S. Donovan
Grand Lodge of Cuba	R.W. Bro. W. Percy White
Grand Lodge of West Virginia	W. Bro. B. Stuart Parker

In presenting the Representative's Jewel of the United Grand Lodge of England to M.W. Bro. Maurice S. Donovan, and the Commissions to the other two brethren, the Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray urged them to communicate with the Grand Lodges they represent and expressed the thought that such communications would be of benefit to themselves and to our Grand Lodge.

RECEPTION OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

The Grand Director of Ceremonies presented the Grand Representatives of Sister Grand Jurisdictions and they in turn presented greetings on behalf of the Grand Lodges they represent:

Alberta	R.W. Bro. H. M. Kerr
Alpina (Switzerland)	M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni
Argentina	R.W. Bro. J. F. Irwin
Arizona	R.W. Bro. A. D. Blair
Arkansas	W. Bro. G. H. Lucas
British Columbia	R.W. Bro. J. C. Grant

Canada (in Ontario)	M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence
Chile	M.W. Bro. N. J. Black
Colombia	R.W. Bro. A. S. McCann
Colorado	R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy
Costa Rica	R.W. Bro. J. D. Lloyd
Cuba	R.W. Bro. W. P. White
Delaware	W. Bro. J. G. Wiechman
Ecuador	V.W. Bro. S. W. Robertson
England	M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan
France, N.G.L.	R.W. Bro. C. A. Midwinter
Georgia	R.W. Bro. W. A. Prugh
Honduras	R.W. Bro. A. G. Cowan
Idaho	W. Bro. S. J. Sametz
Indiana	R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett
Iowa	M.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran
Ireland	M.W. Bro. H. Coddington
Kansas	R.W. Bro. J. Cuthill
Louisiana	M.W. Bro. C. E. Cole
Maine	R.W. Bro. W. D. Harper
Maryland	R.W. Bro. D. Ferguson
Massachusetts	V.W. Bro. P. G. Hawkins
Mexico, Y.G.L.	R.W. Bro. M. A. Nitikman
Minnesota	M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe
Mississippi	R.W. Bro. J. R. Glenn
Missouri	R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson
Nebraska	V.W. Bro. N. Rothstein
Netherlands	R.W. Bro. W. E. Glover
Nevada	R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat
New Brunswick	W. Bro. R. A. McKenzie
New Hampshire	V.W. Bro. W. D. G. Runions
New Jersey	R.W. Bro. D. Rothstein
New Mexico	M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly
New South Wales	W. Bro. I. Zipursky
New Zealand	M.W. Bro. S. Burland
North Carolina	R.W. Bro. Robt. Peel
North Dakota	M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald
Norway	Bro. Walle Larsson
Ohio	W. Bro. A. E. Boyle
Oklahoma	V.W. Bro. D. W. Smith
Panama	W. Bro. W. Dalzell
Philippine Islands	R.W. Bro. J. Livesey
Puerto Rico	R.W. Bro. G. V. Henderson
Rhode Island	R.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans
Rio de Janeiro	R.W. Bro. H. L. Morrow
Santa Domingo	R.W. Bro. E. L. White
Saskatchewan	M.W. Bro. H. H. Gray
Scotland	M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas
Sao Paulo	R.W. Bro. E. B. Litz
South Australia	W. Bro. J. J. Allen
South Dakota	R.W. Bro. Jas. Wardrope
Tennessee	M.W. Bro. J. S. MacEwing
Utah	R.W. Bro. D. MacDonald
Vermont	R.W. Bro. F. K. Purdie
Victoria	R.W. Bro. A. R. Dick
Virginia	V.W. Bro. Clarence Hyde
Washington	R.W. Bro. G. R. Mackay
West Virginia	W. Bro. B. S. Parker
Western Australia	V.W. Bro. J. B. McClure
Wisconsin	W. Bro. N. M. Hall

The Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray, in greeting the Grand Representatives expressed his personal thanks for their attendance and also the hope that their combined efforts may bring about great Masonic benefits and he asked that they convey our greetings to the Grand Lodges they represent.

M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan speaking on behalf of all the Grand Representatives thanked M.W. Brother Gray for his greetings—"We realize we have a duty to perform," he said, "and we will do our utmost to fulfil that duty."

M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray, Grand Master, announced that our Grand Chaplain, R.W. Bro. Harold L. Newton had accepted a call to a Church in Toronto, and had left our Grand Jurisdiction. In thinking of a replacement for this Annual Communication and with the realization when you want a job done you think of those most active, not necessarily active now, but those who have spent years and years in doing things for other people, it was a great pleasure to present to the brethren, our acting Grand Chaplain, R.W. Bro. R. Fletcher Argue.

R.W. Bro. Argue then gave the following Address:

ADDRESS OF THE GRAND CHAPLAIN

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:

You will I am sure, readily agree that at this time, it is most fitting that a word be spoken, calling attention to an experience of more than passing interest and importance in the lives of the members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba.

The great majority of the brethren who are attending this meeting this evening, one year ago this evening were attending the Seventy-eighth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba. On that occasion, we moved about quietly, when we spoke, it was with almost bated breath. Though we were serious, and very anxious, we were hopeful. We had faith in the Great Architect of the Universe. While the brethren stood in silence, a special prayer was offered by our Grand Chaplain, R.W. Bro. H. L. Newton, and we feel certain that many silent prayers were also presented at the throne of Heavenly Grace, prayers which Almighty God, in his Infinite Wisdom and Divine Compassion, was pleased to graciously answer by restoring to his wonted health and strength, our beloved Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray. For this great blessing we do most humbly and sincerely thank our loving Heavenly Father, the Bountiful Giver of every good and perfect gift. And, as we now recall that experience, one which bound us all more closely together around our Common Centre, by association, there comes also to mind a well-known passage from Tennyson's poem "Morte D'Arthur." This poem pictures an experience, in some respects similar to ours. You remember that Tennyson presents King Arthur as an illustrious example of noble knighthood. Though he has been grievously wounded and is frail and faint, he still possesses sufficient vigor of mind and spirit to address Sir Bedivere, the last of all his knights, in the following words:

"More things are wrought by prayer
Than this world dreams of. Wherefore let thy voice
Rise like a fountain for me night and day,
For what are men better than sheep or goats
That nourish a blind life within the brain,
If, knowing God, they lift not hands of prayer
Both for themselves and those who call them friend?
For so, the whole round earth is every way
Bound by gold chains about the feet of God."

This splendid passage has been chosen for our very brief consideration this evening, in part, because the ideal and colorful picture it presents has aspects similar to those found by us in our own experience, to which reference has just been made, and in part, because its symbolism has very special interest for us as Masons.

Our avowed purpose as Masons, is to have worthy men unite in fellowship so that by one indivisible chain of sincere affection, fidelity and truth, they may be bound each to the other, and all together around one Universal Centre, the God of all good life.

The goal which Tennyson contemplates, will be reached when, as he says, "The whole round earth is every way bound by gold chains about the feet of God." Tennyson tells us that King Arthur, the Royal Knight, is seeking to achieve that goal, which, as he pictures it, is not unlike our own, in spirit and in purpose.

Let us look then for a moment at the means which Tennyson deems it is necessary to use, in order to reach such a goal. After considering what is accomplished, or wrought by prayer, Tennyson has King Arthur say, "For so,"—that is by means of prayer and faith—"the whole round earth is every way bound by gold chains about the feet of God." What exactly then, we may ask, does Tennyson understand by prayer and faith, the all-important means to his desired end, or goal?

Tennyson affirms that prayer is learning to know God by means of sincere fellowship and co-operation with Him, and with our fellow men. He adds, that it is not just giving formal assent to some abstract opinion about God. Faith, he defines, as the will to live and act, on the assumption that God exists, and that He has revealed His will to men. How like, in Spirit is that to Masonry! An early point of contact with the candidate, who seeks admission to our Fellowship, calls forth an affirmation of belief in the existence of a Supreme Being, who has revealed His will to a man.

Expectation, almost always being an integral part of vital belief, the strong probability is that part of the candidate's newly affirmed belief in the existence of a Supreme Being, is hope for increased light and broader vision, longing for wider fellowship and a desire, stronger than he has ever known before, to render himself more extensively serviceable to his fellow creatures. Such hope, longing and desire ought never to be forgotten, belittled or frustrated by the brethren of the lodge. For it is only by fostering and helping toward the realization of this hope, by satisfying this longing for fellowship and by providing opportunity for more extensive service to humanity that the interest of the newly-initiated brother can possibly be retained and deepened.

This belief, as yet only a tender shoot, but one that gives promise of becoming a vigorous plant, may, we trust, grow into a strong conviction under the influence and teaching of the Worshipful Master, who regularly opens his lodge and employs and instructs the brethren in Freemasonry; the good offices of the Worshipful Master always being supplemented and ably supported by the assistance and instruction of other experienced brethren. These brethren, with the new member as companion, proceed onward, ever guided in their progress by the principles or moral truth, as they advance through the paths of heavenly science, even unto the throne of God Himself. Thus it is seen that the newly initiated brother, not only presents to the lodge a privilege but he also imposes upon the lodge an inescapable obligation.

The Masonic torch, to use Tennyson's symbol, so recently lighted, may continue to glow more and more brightly, or it may just be left to go out, depending, in some cases, on the contribution that you and I make. But, trying to justify my lack of interest, or to evade my responsibility, I may ask, "What can I contribute?" Well, the stark fact, is, I cannot contribute one whit more than I *am*. Note that it is not what I say or do that measures my contribution, nearly so much as what I, silently, and for the most part unconsciously, *am*. That old truism, "What you are, speaks so loudly I can't hear what you say," strikes home with startling effect.

Present day emphasis on reality suggests that we frankly ask ourselves, as Masons, what manner of men we really are. The man in the street, usually a severe but just critic, claims that he has a perfect right to expect of us the personal practice of the principles we profess. Such personal practice may mean, among other things, that, in the face of Communism's cruel and ruthless betrayal of all that we hold dear, we must be prepared to defend, to the death if need be, the principles of free personality, freely expressed in fellowship, and we must also stoutly affirm our belief in the absolute worth of the individual.

Confronted by this exacting challenge, well might we cry out, as did Moses of old, when God called him to a great task, "Who am I, that I should go?" God's answer then was, and, under similar circumstances, still is, "Thou therefore go, and I will be with thee." That assurance then was, and now is, sufficient. But, just here an important and searching question emerges. Do we always recognize God, when He is with us, when He is present? Do we see and know God as He really is? You remember that, at Bethel, Jacob said, "Surely God is in this place, and I knew it not." Though God is all about us, it is only when we truly see and know Him that we reverently worship. E. B. Browning tells us that:

"Earth's crammed with Heaven
And every common bush aglow with God.
But only those who see, take off their shoes,
The rest sit around and pluck berries."

Our failure to see and know God means that we fail also to see, to know and consequently to truly help our needy brother.

Bliss Carman, our Canadian Poet Laureate, when last he was in Winnipeg, came out and spent a day with us at the

University. He was good enough to come with me to one of my classes. He talked to my students for a few moments about poetry in general, then he read some of his own poems. He closed the class period by reading his short poem "Vestigia." Before beginning to read this poem, he said, very quietly and modestly, "This short poem is a bit of the best of me"—he read the first two lines—

"I took a day to search for God,
And found Him not . . ."

he paused, and said, "In my earlier years, I was anxious to find intellectual proofs to support an abstract opinion about God, but I could not find God by mere logical or abstract reasoning"—he began again, and read the poem through.

"I took a day to search for God,
And found Him not. But as I trod
By rocky ledge, through woods untamed,
Just where one scarlet lily flamed,
I saw His footprints in the sod.

Then suddenly, all unaware,
Far off in the deep shadows, where
A solitary hermit thrush
Sang through the holy twilight hush—
I heard His voice upon the air.

And even as I marvelled how
God gives us Heaven here and now,
In a stir of wind that hardly shook
The poplar leaves beside the brook—
His hand was light upon my brow.

At last with evening as I turned
Homeward, and thought what I had learned
And all that there was still to probe—
I caught the glory of His robe
Where the last fires of sunset burned.

Back to the world with quickening start
I looked and longed for any part
In making saving Beauty be . . .
And from that kindling ecstasy
I knew God dwelt within my heart."

When Bliss Carman felt an impulse, a "longing" to have "any part," however small, "In making saving Beauty be," he recognized that joyous "ecstasy" as being the presence of God in his heart.

Brethren, as Masons, we are all seekers after, and exponents of, truth and beauty—beauty, which truly adorns the inner man, and truth, which alone makes us free, as men, and as Masons. A clear-visioned seeker after truth writes:

> Let there by many windows to your soul,
> That all the glories of the Universe may beautify it,
> Not the narrow pane of one poor creed
> Can catch the radiant rays that beam
> From many sources. Strip off the blinds of superstition,
> Let the light pour in through windows
> Broad as truth itself, and high as God.

R. FLETCHER ARGUE,
Acting Grand Chaplain.

Prolonged applause greeted the conclusion of this Address. In expressing his thanks, the M.W. Grand Master said "I am sure the brethren will agree with me, if we take nothing but your message, our labors and our journey here have been well worth while. You have left a message for us to take home, and no matter what we do or where we go we can get inspiration and blessing from it."

RECOGNITION OF MASONIC SERVICE

W. BRO. ALEXANDER MacKENZIE—FORT PRINCE OF WALES LODGE No. 161

M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray, Grand Master, drew to the attention of the brethren assembled, that with the consent of the Deputy Grand Master and the Grand Wardens, he was conferring in absentia the rank of Honorary Past District Deputy Grand Master on W. Bro. Alexander MacKenzie of Fort Prince of Wales Lodge No. 161, Churchill, Manitoba.

Due to the fact that so many members of Fort Prince of Wales Lodge were members of the Armed Forces and were subject to transfer, the lodge had, over a very short time lost three successive Masters, and it was the personal efforts, advice and leadership offered by W. Bro. MacKenzie which had held the lodge together and he was personally responsible in a large degree for the position it now holds.

AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

NOTICE OF MOTION

Section 115:

It was moved by M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan (158), seconded by R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy (4) that Section 115 of the Constitution be amended by adding the following:

> "Provided that, the Grand Master may for reasons deemed sufficient, grant a dispensation to alter temporarily, the day, hour and/or place of such regular meeting."

The motion was carried.

Section 115 will now read as follows:

> "The day and hour of the regular meetings of a lodge shall be stated in its By-laws, provided that, the Grand Master may for reasons deemed sufficient, grant a dispensation to alter temporarily, the day, hour and/or place of such regular meeting."

ADDRESS OF THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER, MOST WORSHIPFUL BROTHER HARRY H. GRAY

My Brethren:

The Seventy-ninth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba appears to have approached with the rapidity and speed of sound, marking another milestone in the history of our Grand Lodge and the conclusion of my term as Grand Master.

Most sincerely I welcome each and every one of you to the Sessions of this Grand Lodge—your Grand Lodge, my brethren; as we meet in peace amid a world fraught with strife and uncertainties, may God grant we recognize this privilege and view our labors with mature minds so each moment might be put to a useful purpose for the improvement and betterment of our Craft.

To each of you I wish to humbly express my gratitude for electing me your Grand Master. A year ago had circumstances permitted I would have expressed my appreciation, but believe me brethren, I could not have done it with the same sincerity and conviction that I do at this time, now that I have served. My great regret is that I have been unable to serve you in the manner I had planned and worked for; only in recent months has improved health allowed increased activity.

It is with a feeling of pride and great joy that I present this report of my year of Office, because so many have had a part in it. Seldom, if ever, has a Grand Master been privileged to experience a greater and truer expression of loyalty, never to my knowledge have the brethren of this Jurisdiction given such a practical demonstration of the true spirit of Brotherhood and a genuine desire to help.

But what has impressed me most is the aid I have received in a spiritual way. Truly do I believe that I am privileged to meet with you on this occasion, because you, brethren, individually and in your Lodges collectively appealed for my recovery with your prayers. The Most High in His infinite goodness and mercy has been most generous in His response, that fact and the knowledge of your actions could not fail to give me strength. It is at a time like that that words can become such stumbling blocks and poor substitutes for expressing the feelings of the heart. I know the Most High will reward you with His Blessings for your kindness; may He also aid in transmitting to you my true feelings of appreciation.

NECROLOGY

We mourn with the brethren of our Sister Grand Lodges and record with deep regret the loss which they have sustained by death during the past year:

May 31, 1953—M.W. Bro. Allan Melbourne Wilson, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of New Brunswick.

June 8, 1953—M.W. Bro. Julius C. Hobbs, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

June 9, 1953—M.W. Bro. Jared William Summerhays, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Oregon.

June 19, 1953—M.W. Bro. Roy D. Borden, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia.

July 4, 1953—M.W. Bro. Walter W. Hynson, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Delaware.

July 7, 1953—R.W. Bro. Rev. Isaac James Merry, P.G.C., Grand Lodge of Maine.

August 16, 1953—M.W. Bro. Hal Carter McLoud, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Illinois.

August 30, 1953—R.W. Bro. Douglas A. Meredith, S.G.W., Grand Lodge of Kansas.

September 19, 1953—M.W. Bro. Karl M. Vetsburg, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Missouri.

October 3, 1953—M.W. Bro. Norris Greenleaf Abbot, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Rhode Island.

October 5, 1953—M.W. Bro. Charles Sydnor Angel, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of West Virginia.

October 12, 1953—M.W. Bro. William Griggs Mealor, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Georgia.

October 25, 1953—M.W. Bro. Herman Held, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Minnesota.

October 26, 1953—M.W. Bro. Archibald West, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Alberta.

November 7, 1953—M.W. Bro. Edwin D. Crites, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Nebraska.

January 6, 1954—M.W. Bro. J. Ernest Newsom, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Colorado.

January 7, 1954—M.W. Bro. J. L. Sawyer, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Wyoming.

January 20, 1954—M.W. Bro. Archer Alexander Johnson, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Missouri.

January 25, 1954—R.W. Bro. Ralph N. Lodge, G.S., Grand Lodge of Montana.

February 22, 1954—R.W. Bro. Allan Leonard Curtis, P.J.G.W., Grand Lodge of Maine.

February 26, 1954—M.W. Bro. William H. Pugh, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Wyoming.

March 1, 1954—M.W. Bro. Hugh Moore, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Kentucky.

March 21, 1954—M.W. Bro. John R. Tapster, P.G.M., Grand Lodge of Nebraska.

March 29, 1954—R.W. Bro. L. Trevette Lockwood, D.G.M., Grand Lodge of Florida.

Missing from view at this Grand Lodge Communication, yet ever fresh in our memory are those brethren who have answered the call of the Divine Tyler to attend the Grand Lodge Above. Your Committee on Fraternal Dead have recorded the names of 301 Brethren, who during the past year have been so called. Among this number we mourn one Past Grand Master. After a lengthy and painful illness M.W. Brother William J. Major while in peaceful slumber passed to his celestial home. "Service above self" was his rule, and one to which he adhered to with rigid self-discipline. He was elected Grand Treasurer in 1919, Junior Grand Warden in 1920 and Grand Master in 1923. Those who knew him well always admired his energy and ability, the numbers are indeed few who could equal his many accomplishments.

For a brief period let us pause in the activities of this Grand Lodge Session to pay tribute to our brethren who during the past Masonic year have answered the call of the Supreme Grand Master, to take up their labors in the Celestial Temple.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

(*G.M.*) Bro. Junior Grand Warden what thoughts should fill our minds on such an occasion as this?

(*J.G.W.*) Though our hearts are touched with sorrow as we remember those who are no longer in our midst, we shall rejoice in the memory of their faithful lives, and feel the duty that falls upon us to continue the tasks they have left unfinished.

(*G.M.*) Bro. Senior Grand Warden, how should Freemasons feel in the contemplation of death?

(*S.G.W.*) Trust that the ties of Brotherhood will remain unbroken beyond this transient life; assurance that the immortal principle within us cannot be overcome by death; and faith in the unchanging love of the Great Architect of the Universe.

(*G.M.*) Brethren, let us unite with the Grand Chaplain in prayer to Almighty God.

(*G.Chap.*) Eternal God, our Heavenly Father, who lovest us with an everlasting love, and canst turn the shadow of death into the morning, help us now to wait upon Thee with reverent and submissive hearts. In the silence of this hour, speak to us of eternal things that we may have hope, and be lifted above our darkness and distress into the light and peace of Thy presence. So mote it be.

(*G.M.*) It is fitting, brethren, that in this place of quiet, removed from the turmoil and trouble of life, in an atmosphere of Harmony and Peace, we should spend a few moments in still deeper quiet to think upon those of our number who have passed beyond our sight into the life eternal. Our hearts are saddened as we realize that we are denied the privilege of their association and fellowship. But knowing them as we did, we know that ours is a sadness of loneliness, but not of despair. They have but stepped over the threshold of life, and have entered their new home. The fine influence of their lives remains with us.

"They have put off their shoes
  Softly to walk by day
Within our thoughts, to tread
At night our dream-led paths of sleep
They are not lost, who find
  The sunset gate, the goal
Of all their faithful years.
Nor lost are they who reach
The summit of their climb,
  The peak above the clouds
And storms. They are not lost
Who finds the light of sun
And stars, and God."

(*J.G.W.*) (Steps to Altar and places a spray of red flowers.) May these flowers symbolize the warmth and beauty of their lives as they moved among their fellow men, and took their places with their brethren in Freemasonry. Out of the richness of their own hearts they gave Strength to others, that there might blossom the flowers of Truth and Brotherhood.

(*S.G.W.*) (Steps to Altar and places a spray of golden flowers.) As the rays of the setting sun flood the earth with golden light, so these our brethren, guided by the Fatherly Hand of the Most High, have passed through their experiences of joy and sorrow, success and disappointment, and at the close of their day, refined and purified, have left with us the pure gold of their nobility and service.

(*D.G.M.*) (Steps to Altar and places wreath of Evergreen.) This Evergreen reminds us that it is the steadfast faith of Freemasonry, that beyond this present life there reaches out the never-ending communion of the soul with God; it strengthens our hope for the fulfilment of the promise that "at evening time there shall be light"; it is an emblem of our assurance that the one unconquerable thing upon this earth is the living, eternal soul of man.

(*G.M.*) Brethren, let us then express our gratitude to the Most High for those who, through love and hope, through toil and striving, have finished their course. Let us too, remembering their faithfulness and following their example, so live that the world will be richer because we have passed this way.

(*G.Chap.*) O Thou, before whose face the generations rise and pass away, we bless and praise Thy name for all Thy servants departed this life in Thy faith and fear. Grant that we, facing life's tasks and responsibilities, and bearing its burdens, may be protected by Thy mercy and be brought at last, to a reunion with the companions of our former toils, in the Glory of Thy Presence.

So mote it be.

View with me the vast panorama of our Freemasonry in this Grand Jurisdiction. Here is an impressive picture of 15,000 Freemasons, forming a body of men who have dedicated themselves to the finer ideals of life. Here in this picture are highlights of color and composition revealing unselfish and noble purpose, that draw your attention like a magnet. Here too, we shall admit, are portions that are dull and distorted, for in all human efforts, it is difficult to reach a uniformly high standard. What an improvement it would make in this canvas of human emotion and endeavor if we could, for these dull and uninteresting parts substitute that which is colorful and attractive. This can be accomplished by greater effort on your part and on mine. Let us try it, brethren. I know the reward will be generous.

If we focus our attention on the 115 lodges which make up our Jurisdiction we will see much activity and great improvement especially in lodge properties. Design and construction range from the conservative to the ultra-modern, the old is being made new and the old transformed. I wish to personally commend those brethren who are carrying on in the grand traditions of their fathers and grandfathers, by building for the future and for others. It is comforting to know that the phrase, "They builded better than they knew" can also be applied to our day.

As your present Grand Master and one who has served as a Grand Lodge Officer for a number of years, I am fully aware of the progress that has been made by our Grand Lodge, numerically and otherwise. Many have heard me remark that we have graduated from the classification of a small Grand Lodge to a medium sized Grand Lodge and I admit that I have been guilty of boastful pride in the telling of our accomplishments. As we increase in size and stature, it is reasonable to suppose that we will have increased problems and responsibilities, necessity demands problems be kept to a minimum. A clearer understanding and closer relationship between those who have been elected to positions of trust and those who by vote have delegated such authority, is paramount to a successful Grand Lodge. I am pleased to report that there has been a noticeable improvement in this regard; one of my greatest regrets is that the plans I have made to further cement this relationship could only be implemented in part. The formation of travelling teams, each to consist of two elected Grand Lodge Officers was originally planned to operate under the direction of the Grand Master, so that they might visit as many lodges as possible, particularly those in remote areas which have not had a visit from Grand Lodge Officers in recent years. Where such procedure has been put into practice the results have been most gratifying, problems were discussed and solved, Masonic principles became active and tolerance and understanding introduced us to valued friendships.

VISITATIONS TO SISTER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

1953

June 9-10—Grand Lodge of South Dakota, represented by M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe.

June 10-11—Grand Lodge of Alberta, represented by M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan accompanied by R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson, Grand Secretary.

June 17-18—Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, represented by M.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran, accompanied by R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson, Grand Secretary.

June 12—Assiniboine Lodge No. 7, 75th Anniversary, Portage la Prairie, represented by R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett, Senior Grand Warden.

June 24—Lake Metigoshe, Masonic Island, represented by M.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran.

June 24—International Picnic—Peace Gardens, R.W. Bro. J. F. Irwin Representative.

July 12—Walhalla, N.D. (Lookout Point), represented by M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly.

July 16—Constitution and Consecration of Woodworth Lodge No. 166 at Kenton, represented by M.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran.

August 19—On this date an Emergent Communication of Grand Lodge was held in the Masonic Temple, Donald Street, for the purpose of my being installed as Grand Master. Installation Ceremonies were impressively conducted by M.W. Bro. Maurice S. Donovan as Grand Installing Master ably assisted by R.W. Bro. D. Rothstein, Grand Director of Ceremonies. The solemnity of the ceremony coupled with my ability to again meet with my brethren made it an occasion that I shall always remember. I was particularly pleased to see most of my Grand Lodge Officers present, and a goodly number of Past Grand Lodge Officers. The presence of M.W. Bro. E. J. Franta, Grand Master of North Dakota was an unexpected pleasure. Also the presence of a number of our Senior Past Grand Masters made me feel highly honored. On this occasion M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe (to whom I owe so much) presented me with a beautiful Gavel and it has been my pleasure to use it on all occasions where I have officially presided.

September 3—Constitution and Consecration of Friendship Lodge No. 165 at Fort Garry. As most of the brethren of this new lodge were known to me personally, and I to them, the ceremonies of the evening seemed to take on a deeper significance than usual and at the conclusion I am sure all present felt that the foundation of this new lodge had been truly laid in the spirit of Brotherhood.

September 5—Beaver Lodge No. 139, Mrs. Gray and myself spent a social evening with this Lodge when they honored the brethren and their wives from Euclid Lodge No. 198, Duluth, Minn.

October 26—Institution of Marquette Lodge U.D., Portage la Prairie. This was a unique occasion. The sponsoring Lodge, Assiniboine No. 7 was one of the two lodges originally operating in this area, the other being Marquette No. 21. Conditions compelled them to amalgamate and the name Marquette was forfeited. The Portage brethren are determined that Marquette Lodge will have a bright and prosperous future. In this we heartily agree.

November 3—"The Assiniboine" Lodge No. 114, Annual Canadian Night.

November 29—Memorial Service, Lisgar Lodge No. 2, Selkirk. An impressive Memorial Service was held to honor the memory of the late R.W. Bro. Robert M. Muckle and to dedicate an etched window in the Masonic Temple there which will constantly remind the lodge of this brother who did so much for Lisgar Lodge and Freemasonry.

December 10—Friendship Lodge No. 165.

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January 20—Institution of Menorah Lodge U.D., Masonic Temple, East Kildonan. At this Institution M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe and I were present in a dual capacity—as Grand Lodge Officers performing the Ceremony and as Charter Members of this new lodge, through the kindness of the brethren responsible for its formation. The paternal pride of the brethren of the sponsoring Lodge, Mount Sinai No. 143 and the enthusiasm of the Charter members of Menorah Lodge, gave every evidence that here in the making was a Lodge that would uphold the traditions of Freemasonry and be an asset to the Community.

January 24—Holy Trinity Church, Divine Service. At the kind invitation of the Grand Chaplain, R.W. Bro. H. L. Newton, the Winnipeg and surrounding Lodges showed their approval by attending the Service of Rededication in large numbers.

February 4—Northern Light Lodge No. 10.

February 5—Scottish Rite Annual Dinner and Dance, Fort Garry Hotel.

February 10—Convocation of Grand Chapter, R.A.M. Official Reception and Banquet and Dance.

February 15—Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3.

March 8—Windsor Lodge No. 138.

March 12—Tuscan Lodge No. 141.

March 17-18—Annual Communication, Grand Lodge of Minnesota, accompanied by M.W. Bros. Wm. Douglas and F. H. Blythe and the Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson.

March 20—Acacia Lodge No. 111, Annual Ladies' Night and Dance.

March 24—Acacia Lodge No. 111.

March 25—Mount Sinai Lodge No. 143.

March 30—Crescent Lodge No. 103, Elm Creek. The brethren, with the aid of the Grand Librarian, M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly, prepared a very fitting ceremony to mark the Official opening of their new Temple. A number of brethren from the R.C.M.P. made the Flag Ceremony and presentation a colorful and memorable event. As I declared the Lodge Room Officially Open, I was presented with a large key, symbolic of an "open door to Crescent Lodge."

April 7—Stony Mountain Lodge No. 134, Canadian Night.

April 8—Shoal Lake Lodge No. 92.

April 9—Joint Meeting of the three Brandon Lodges. It has become custom for the three Brandon Lodges to have a combined meeting to which the Grand Master and his Officers are officially invited. The hospitality and fraternal good fellowship of the Brandon brethren make this one of the Masonic highlights of the year.

April 13—Kildonan Lodge No. 131.

April 14—Fort Garry Lodge No. 130, Past Masters' Night.

April 20—Temple Lodge No. 49, MacGregor. It was an unexpected pleasure to have the privilege of Officially declaring their new Temple open.

April 25—Divine Service, First Masonic District, Crescent-Fort Rouge United Church.

April 26—Empire Lodge No. 127.

April 28—70th Anniversary, Glenwood Lodge No. 27, Souris.

May 3—Ionic Lodge No. 25, Old Timers' Night.

May 5—Menorah Lodge U.D.

May 12—Lord Selkirk Lodge No. 137.

May 13—Beaver Lodge No. 139.

May 18—Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1.

May 20—75th Anniversary, King Solomon Lodge No. 8, Morris.

DISTRICT MEETINGS

The Grand Lodge Officers and Past Grand Masters doubted the advisability of my attending the District Meetings, but had I been denied this pleasure I would have been greatly disappointed. I therefore attended all District Meetings and the Past Grand Masters, through their generosity gave the main address at nine of them. I herewith record the District Meetings and the Past Grand Masters to whom I am indebted:

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Oct. 1—Seventh Masonic District, Virden, M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan.

Oct. 2—Sixth Masonic District, Hartney, M.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran.

Oct. 8—Tenth Masonic District, Beausejour, M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly.

Oct. 9—Eighth Masonic District, Morris, M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas.

Oct. 14—Fourth Masonic District, Manitou, M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe.

Oct. 15—Third Masonic District, Holland, M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald.

Oct. 22—Second Masonic District, McCreary, M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni.

Oct. 23—Fifth Masonic District, Strathclair, M.W. Bro. C. E. Cole.

Oct. 30—Ninth Masonic District, Minitonas, M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe.

Nov. 30—First Masonic District, Winnipeg, Grand Master.

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Jan. 29—Twelfth Masonic District, Winnipeg, Grand Master.

Over the past few years there has been a general improvement in District Meetings. I believe the meetings of this year to equal and in some cases surpass those of former years. I do feel however, that the value of these meetings could be increased if each lodge, during the Masonic year would record such items on which they require clarification or could give information, and submit the items to the District Deputy Grand Master well in advance of his Meeting. In this way, he would have the opportunity of properly programming his meeting with greater benefit to all. The District Meeting, is primarily for District business but there appears to be a tendency to forget this.

This year the District Deputy Grand Masters have had a particularly busy year. Their normal duties have been increased by the inspection of new Temples, changing of lodge premises, formation of new lodges, and the supervision of the Masonic Brotherhood Disaster Fund. To each, I wish to express my sincere appreciation of their efforts and loyalty—truly they have been worthy representatives of the Grand Master in their respective Districts.

LODGES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE M.W. GRAND MASTER

On June 29th, forty-three Grand Lodge Officers and brethren entrained on what has become known as "The Northern Trip" and visited Fort Prince of Wales Lodge No. 161 at Churchill, The Pas Lodge No. 124 at The Pas and Flin Flon Lodge No. 153 at Flin Flon. All three Lodges are under the Jurisdiction of the Grand Master. I am again indebted to M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe for representing me on these visits and to R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson, Grand Secretary, for his planning of the trip.

On March 25th accompanied by the Grand Secretary, we went by air to Rice Lake Lodge No. 157 at Bissett.

The above mentioned lodges in spite of the handicaps and isolation of some, are prosperous and progressive. Masonic Light seems to be their quest and some of our best informed Masons are to be found in these Lodges.

AREA MEETINGS

Three Area Meetings were held this Spring and the following Lodges acted as hosts:

April 23—Carman Lodge No. 155, Carman.
April 29—Woodworth Lodge No. 166, Kenton.
April 30—Roblin Lodge No. 122, Roblin.

At all meetings attendance was good in spite of the extremely bad weather. It makes one wonder if the accommodations would have been adequate had the weather been more favorable. I wish to thank the brethren who took active part in the programmes of these meetings. Their efforts made them highly successful.

At Roblin, I was asked to Officially Open their new Temple, in performing this pleasant duty, I was assisted by M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly.

BANFF CONFERENCE

September 10-11, R.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans, Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett, Senior Grand Warden and R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson, Grand Secretary, were the delegates to the Banff Conference representing Manitoba. R.W. Bro. Emmett graciously accepted the paper originally assigned to me and those who have read the proceedings of this Conference will agree that our brethren made a worthwhile contribution.

WASHINGTON CONFERENCE

Feb. 22-3—By authorization of the Board of General Purposes, R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson and I were delegates to the Grand Masters' and Grand Secretaries' Conferences of North America in Washington, D.C. Time and space will not permit my recording here the program and the full extent of my impressions, yet I must report that it was a Masonic experience I will not soon forget. In a matter of hours, delegates gathered in one central point from a large portion of the Masonic World. Up to this time the names of distinguished brethren, the countries and Grand Lodges they represented made good reading, but now I was to meet them face to face and discuss intimately with them, some of the Masonic conditions throughout the world. Since my return, it has caused me to continually wonder if our type of Freemasonry has the strength and fortitude to withstand oppressions and difficulties in the manner our brethren abroad seem to meet them. If I have gained nothing else from this

Conference it has impressed me very vividly with the fact that a Mason in Peru, in the Philippines or any country abroad with whom we are in friendly relation, is my Masonic brother just as surely as is a brother of my own lodge, and my obligation binds me to consider his welfare. I am pleased that the Masonic Brotherhood Disaster Fund was instituted, because to me it gives concrete proof that our brethren are becoming adult in their Masonic thinking.

PRESENTATION OF FIFTY-YEAR JEWELS

Of all the pleasures that come to a Grand Master, none are more satisfying than the presentation of Fifty-year Jewels to those veterans of the Craft who have served a half-century or more in its service. Each time, it re-affirms and strengthens my faith in the goodness of Masonry and I swell with pride that they have set us a high standard by their example:

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Sept. 1—Bro. Frederick Albert Clarke, "The Assiniboine" Lodge No. 114. Presented by M.W. Bro. N. J. Black.

Oct. 1—R.W. Bro. Arthur Bertram Stuart, Lebanon Lodge No. 43, presented at a meeting of Estevan Lodge No. 25, Sask.

Oct. 2—Bro. John Duncan Millar, Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1 (at his home).

Oct. 6—Bro. James Boyd Buchanan, Favel Lodge No. 126, presented by W. Bro. J. A. Mitchell.

Oct. 8—W. Bro. Frederick W. Jones, Shiloh Lodge No. 70, presented by M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald.

Oct. 26—Bro. Alex. T. Liddle, Ionic Lodge No. 25, presented by W. Bro. G. N. Ledger (in B.C.).

Oct. 26—Bro. George A. T. Leckie, Empire Lodge No. 127, presented by R.W. Bro. A. S. McCann.

Oct. 26—Bro. John Thos. Steeves, Empire Lodge No. 127, presented by R.W. Bro. A. S. McCann.

Nov. 2—W. Bro. James Perry, Ionic Lodge No. 25, presented by M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray.

Nov. 2—Bro. Samuel J. Wallace, Ionic Lodge No. 25, presented by R.W. Bro. R. McGregor (Seaforth, Ont.).

Nov. 3—M.W. Bro. Royal Burritt, "The Assiniboine" Lodge No. 114, presented by M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray.

Nov. 19—Bro. Walter M. Scott, Northern Light Lodge No. 10, presented by M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray.

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Feb. 4—Bro. James Wilson, Northern Light Lodge No. 10, presented by M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray.

Feb. 15—Bro. Donald H. Bain, Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3, presented by M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray.

Feb. 15—Bro. James S. Henderson, Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3, presented by M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray.

Feb. 15—Bro. William J. Dodds, Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3, presented by M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray.

Feb. 19—Bro. Henry A. Carman, Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3, presented by M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray.

Feb. 22—Bro. Adam Crossley, Prince of Wales Lodge No. 14, presented by R.W. Bro. G. A. Eakins.

Feb. 26—R.W. Bro. Hubert A. Croll, Glenwood Lodge No. 27, presented by M.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran.

Mar. 10—Bro. Alexander F. Forsyth, St. James Lodge No. 121, presented by W. Bro. M. G. McKenzie.

Mar. 13—W. Bro. Ira Mayhew, Wawanesa Lodge No. 67, presented by M.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran.

Mar. 15—R.W. Bro. Herbert J. Jones, Elkhorn Lodge No. 74, presented by R.W. Bro. J. McCorkindale.

Apr. 13—Bro. Robert Allan Garland, Carberry Lodge No. 29, presented by M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole.

May 3—W. Bro. Norman H. Neill, Ionic Lodge No. 25, presented by M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray.

May 3—Bro. Frank Thoms, Ionic Lodge No. 25, presented by M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray.

May 3—Bro. William James Ralph, Ionic Lodge No. 25, presented by M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray.

May 25—R.W. Bro. Harold E. Mitchell, Wawanesa Lodge No. 67, presented by M.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

To fill vacancies caused by various reasons, I have recommended to the Grand Masters of the Grand Lodges concerned, the appointment of the following brethren as Grand Representatives:

Grand Lodge of Argentina..Commission not yet received.
R.W. Bro. J. Ferguson Irwin, Neepawa.

Grand Lodge of Connecticut..............January 26th, 1954.
W. Bro. Normal C. Law, Winnipeg.

Grand Lodge of Cuba..............March 16th, 1954.
R.W. Bro. W. Percy White, Winnipeg.

United Grand Lodge of England
..............Commission not yet received.
M.W. Bro. Maurice S. Donovan, Brandon.

Grand Lodge of West Virginia..............May 10th, 1954
W. Bro. B. Stuart Parker, Winnipeg.

I have also been pleased to approve the appointment of the following brethren as Grand Representatives of Manitoba near other Grand Jurisdictions:

Grand Lodge of Alberta..............March 19th, 1954.
M.W. Bro. Wm. H. Jackson.

Grand Lodge of Argentina..............April 21st, 1954.
W. Bro. Cesar De Madariaga.

Grand Lodge of Georgia..............October 5th, 1953.
W. Bro. H. Sol Clark.

Grand Lodge of Kentucky..............October 15th, 1953.
R.W. Bro. F. W. Gallagher.

York Grand Lodge of Mexico..............May 15th, 1954.
W. Bro. Harold S. Golding.

Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island. June 20th, 1953.
R.W. Bro. Frank S. Myers.

Grand Lodge of South Australia..............May 13th, 1954.
V.W. Bro. H. C. Souter.

In the past year some of our Grand Representatives have been pleased to bring to my attention the fact that they have made very pleasant contacts with brethren of the Grand Lodges they represent. It is the desire of this Grand Lodge that greater numbers should seek such relationships.

MASONIC BROTHERHOOD DISASTER FUND

May I record with grateful thanks the work of this Committee under the Chairmanship of R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett. During the course of these sessions, he will report to you the extent to which we have been successful in realizing our objective.

Many brethren have contributed to this Fund and it has been little or no sacrifice, nevertheless, I sincerely thank them. But to those of our brethren who in their willingness to help others have denied themselves of something that may possibly have better sustained them in their old age, I can only say God bless you. We have been pleasantly surprised with the ready response of Manitoba brethren now living outside our borders and to them, we are most grateful.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The success of the Service of Rededication held in Winnipeg during the month of January makes it worthy of continuation and I so recommend.

I also recommend that a system be instituted between the Lodges and the Committees of Grand Lodge for the purpose of filing edicts, rulings, regulations, bulletins and such information and instruction that is necessary for the guidance and instruction of the Worshipful Master, his Officers and their successors.

I would also suggest that all Masonic events of significance such as Anniversaries, Birthday Parties and special events be reported to the Grand Lodge Librarian or the Committee on Research and Education with programmes and details of planning. In this way the work and ingenuity of the brethren of one lodge will materially assist the brethren of other lodges.

Please bear in mind that the Grand Master, his Officers and members of the Board of General Purposes are servants of the members of this Jurisdiction; any individual, delegation or lodge has the right to make representation to them through the Grand Secretary, on any subject, at any time. It is regrettable that items of relatively small importance should be the means of causing dissatisfaction and misunderstanding when the Masonic privilege is yours to prevent this very thing, by proper representation.

It is apparent that some of our lodges are not requesting Fifty-year Jewels for their eligible members. This is a matter that should receive prompt attention as it means so much to the recipient.

APPRECIATION AND CONCLUSION

To so many I owe so much for the rich Masonic experience which has been mine, and realize it would be useless folly for me to attempt to thank you all individually. Yet it would be unforgivable if I neglected to acknowledge the aid and assistance of those who have shared with me the responsibilities of the Grand Master. To the Elected and Appointed Grand Lodge Officers who have accompanied me throughout the Jurisdiction in fair weather and foul; to the Past Grand Masters—that stalwart body of men on whom I have leaned so heavily and profited so greatly by their advice and experience. To my family and business associates for their patience and understanding. To the District Deputy Grand Masters, Worshipful Masters, Past Masters, Wardens and brethren of the constituent lodges, I humbly acknowledge the debt I owe you. I especially wish to express my appreciation to that faithful and conscientious servant of this Grand Lodge, R.W. Bro. Thomas C. Jackson, Grand Secretary who has been my constant companion and daily counselor; to Miss Margaret Anderson and W. Bro. Gordon McKenzie of the Grand Lodge Office for their many courtesies and willingness to help. If this report reflects any measure of success, I am gratefully pleased, because without exception you have all had a part in it. May God bless you and please accept my sincere but humble thanks.

May I extend to you all, my best wishes for the years that lie ahead, and may our united efforts bring us much happiness in the practice of our Masonic Ideals.

> "The year is closed; its record made
> The last deed done, the last word said.
> The memories alone remain
> Of all its joys, its grief, its gain,
> And now, with purpose firm and clear
> We turn to meet another year."

At the conclusion of this Address, a standing ovation by all present showed the M.W. Grand Master how much they appreciated all his efforts for the Craft during his term in Office.

It was moved by M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (7), seconded by M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald (70) that the Address of the M.W. Grand Master be referred to the Committee on the Grand Master's Address. Carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Grand Secretary drew the attention of the brethren to the Luncheon which would be held the next day at 12.30 p.m. under the auspices of the Past Masters' Association of Greater Winnipeg.

The Grand Secretary also reminded the brethren of the District Meetings which would be held, the First and Twelfth Masonic Districts at the close of this meeting, and the balance of the Districts at 9.00 a.m. the following morning.

M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan (158) announced that the newly-elected District Deputy Grand Masters would be installed the following evening, and he asked the retiring District Deputy Grand Masters to be present so each may invest his successor in Office.

ADJOURNMENT

Grand Lodge was then adjourned at 10.40 p.m. to reconvene at 10.30 a.m. the following morning.

Second Day

THURSDAY, JUNE 3rd, 1954

Morning Session

Grand Lodge was called from Refreshment to Labor at 10.30 a.m. by the Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray.

M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni entered Grand Lodge to present and introduce R.W. Brother Bishop W. L. Wright, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada (In the Province of Ontario.)

The M.W. Grand Master, in welcoming this distinguished guest expressed pleasure that he was able to be present. It was unfortunate that weather conditions had prevented an earlier attendance but the only harm done was that our pleasure of meeting R.W. Brother Wright had been delayed.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

"JURISPRUDENCE AND APPEALS"

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through its Committee on Jurisprudence and Appeals, begs to report in the term now expiring this Committee has been called upon to do very little work.

The only serious question that came before your Committee, other than very minor questions which were answered by your Chairman, was whether a Constituent Lodge had first to obtain the approval of the Board of General Purposes before the purchase or sale of real property. It appeared to your Committee after considering Section 13 of Chapter 123 of the Revised Statutes of Manitoba, 1924, as printed in the Constitution, that the consent of the Board was not necessary, but after investigating the matter further in conjunction with your Grand Secretary, it was found that the Section as printed in the Constitution had been taken from the Bill as presented to the Legislature and not as it had been finally passed after amendment in the Private Bills Committee and the Board was then advised that Constituent Lodges must obtain the approval of the Board of General Purposes before the purchase or sale of real property.

Your Grand Secretary and all the members of his office have shewn every courtesy to your Chairman and the members of his Committee during the past year.

Fraternally submitted
S. HART GREEN

This report was presented by the Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson (3). It was moved by M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4), seconded by R.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4) that it be adopted. Carried.

"CONDITION OF FREEMASONRY"

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Brethren, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes, through its Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry begs to submit the following report:

This Masonic year starting as it did with our Grand Master in the hospital so ill that visitors were not allowed, has progressed with joy and happiness. It was two and a half months after our Annual Communication before our Grand Master could be installed into Office. We see today, our beloved Grand Master enjoying good health and enriched by enforced rest and contemplation, and with the help of Past Grand Masters and other eminent brethren, he has been able to take, month by month, an increasingly prominent part of his duties. At the District Meetings and at other times when he required assistance, he called on his Officers to take part of the load—needless to say, each Officer gave of his best in effort and ability to fulfill his duties.

We give thanks to the G.A.O.T.U. for favors already received and pray that our M.W. Grand Master may enjoy many years of good health and happiness in the fellowship of a host of Freemasons and the filial affection of his family.

The Committee would direct your attention to the report of the Grand Secretary where will be found the statistical details of the activities of this Grand Jurisdiction in the past year. In this report will be found the information relative to returns from the constituent lodges and the summation of reports, which are essential for our knowledge that we may build for the future from the experience of past years.

Form No. 21, which is the Grand Lodge form used by District Deputy Grand Masters to report necessary essential information relative to each lodge, is in many instances, inconclusive and leaves the reviewer of the report wondering why more definite statements are not made, as constructive criticism is needed, or congratulations given for some outstanding accomplishment.

Examples from Form No. 21 which most frequently appear are:

1. Lodge books have not been audited.
2. Insurance is not carried or is not adequate in case of loss.
3. Lodge membership roll is not up to date.
4. Historical Register incomplete, in some instances not written up for many years.
5. No planning of meetings.
6. No programme of visitations and no planned nights when visitors are entertained.
7. Attendance at Grand Lodge neglected and in a few instances passed up entirely. One lodge absent from Grand Lodge Communication in 1952 and 1953, did not have a representative officer at the District Meeting in 1953.
8. Reports of the Grand Lodge Communication if given at all, are much too brief.

These are some of the defects which are most apparent, and should demand our serious consideration.

There are also very many projects practised by lodges in the Jurisdiction which are highly commendable and tend to create a much keener interest. These are of so varied a nature that they cannot be incorporated in this report, but all tend to develop Masonic teaching within the mind and personality of the individual. Suffice it to mention here that any activity, sponsored by a lodge, for the improvement of the mind and fulfill a desire for greater development in the minds of the brethren in the search for more light is being accomplished, in ways that are a credit to the lodges, and are beneficial to the Jurisdiction.

In consequence of the above mentioned situation, the Committee suggests that, as in the past few years, the District Deputy Grand Masters, newly-installed, attend the Instruction and Briefing School on the morning immediately after Grand Lodge. Attendance at this meeting should be obligatory as each is the personal representative of the Grand Master in his District and should know what his duties are, that he may correctly assume his responsibility.

District Meeting planning and build-up is a very important part of the work of a District Deputy Grand Master. The attendance, discussions and other educational features provided are in a very large degree dependent on the initiative, leadership, planning and co-operation which the District Deputy Grand Master creates in his own particular District.

Most District Meetings were well attended. The reports of the lodge Secretaries were again, in most Districts, summarized by the District Secretary. This has been done to save time but has been criticized in some instances as not giving a true picture of each constituent lodge's activity. If such lodge reports could be cut to five minutes reading time as was stated at one meeting, a much clearer picture of the function and work of the lodge would be procured. The educational features provided at the District Meetings are always well received. From a study of Districts in geographical and numerical strength it is apparent that Districts can be too large in each respect, for greatest benefits from District Meetings for each lodge. Your Committee therefore hopes that the most careful consideration be given to and approval of the report of the Special Committee on Redistribution of Districts. As families grow and move about yet hold basic filial attachments, so we, in a growing Masonic group must accept the inevitable changes that are necessary in our expanding development.

The Constituting of Friendship Lodge No. 165 and Woodworth Lodge No. 166, and the Instituting of Marquette Lodge U.D. and Menorah Lodge U.D. have been highlights in the year. Each Communication was well attended, the interest was keen, the work well done and the harmony and fellowship all that could be desired. Our Grand Master on each occasion carried out his official duties with dignity and poise, adding further credit to his own ability, and honor to the Fraternity.

Throughout the Jurisdiction, at the District Meetings and in the lodges under the direct care of the Grand Master, there is a fine feeling of friendly accord and the fraternal spirit is at a high level.

The Grand Master's addresses and those of assisting Grand Lodge Officers and Past Grand Masters were well received. Educational features, such as Quiz Programmes, explanations of the Constitution and informative talks, were productive of much good.

The Lodges Under Dispensation, Marquette at Portage la Prairie and Menorah in Winnipeg are proving their worth as well as justifying their Institution. Both Lodges are well officered; ceremonies are properly performed; the Fraternal spirit is very high; finances are sound and harmony prevails. The Committee takes pleasure in recommending that Charters be issued to these Lodges and that at the pleasure of the M.W. Grand Master they be Constituted as regular lodges.

The thanks of the Committee is expressed to the District Deputy Grand Masters for the good work done in the past year. Each has carried out his duties with a keen perception of the responsibilities of the Office. Each has proven his worth by a zealous devotion to duty; every lodge in the Jurisdiction has been visited and many on more than one occasion. All reports on Form No. 21 have been received, though some of these reports do not have enough information for the Committee to get a proper perspective of the condition Masonically, of each lodge.

Appreciation is expressed and tendered to our Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. Thos. C. Jackson and his staff for their work in co-operative assistance with the Committee throughout the past year.

We recommend that the following be granted the rank of Past District Deputy Grand Master in recognition of their efficient service:

First Masonic District	R.W. Bro. A. A. MacDonald
Second Masonic District	R.W. Bro. B. Angus
Third Masonic District	R.W. Bro. J. A. Sundell

Fourth Masonic District	R.W. Bro. N. H. Ashley
Fifth Masonic District	R.W. Bro. H. M. Mayhew
Sixth Masonic District	R.W. Bro. R. H. Gibson
Seventh Masonic District	R.W. Bro. C. Moore
Eighth Masonic District	R.W. Bro. W. J. Hamblin
Ninth Masonic District	R.W. Bro. J. E. Burnett
Tenth Masonic District	R.W. Bro. J. A. Longbottom
Twelfth Masonic District	R.W. Bro. A. E. Duff

It has come to the attention of this Committee that Brother Frederick G. Turner, who was elected Secretary of Transcona Lodge No. 123 in 1917 has continued to serve his Lodge in that Office to the present time. His Lodge feels that such outstanding service should be recognized. This Committee concurs and have so recommended to the Board of General Purposes.

All of which is fraternally submitted on behalf of the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry.

J. FERGUSON IRWIN
Chairman.

This report was presented by R.W. Bro. J. F. Irwin (24), who moved its adoption, seconded by R.W. Bro. W. J. McGregor (11). Carried.

"FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE"

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Correspondence fraternally submits its annual report on the Proceedings of other Grand Jurisdictions with which the Grand Lodge of Manitoba is in fraternal relations.

We hope that the items we have selected will afford the brethren in Manitoba a general idea of what is being done by their brethren in other parts of the world.

Masonic education is leading all other topics discussed by Grand Masters and Grand Lodge Committees and are giving more attention to the education of the newly made Masons, as well as to the older members.

Serious consideration should be given to the possibility of reclaiming demitted, unaffiliated and suspended members, we hope that something may be done in this matter.

In this report we have tried to bring to our brethren many of the questions that have been on the minds of various Grand Masters and trust that the brethren will find much to interest them.

Fraternally submitted,

H. M. KERR,
Chairman

This report was presented by the Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson (3) who moved its adoption, seconded by R.W. Bro. D. Rothstein (141). Carried.

GREETINGS FROM DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

R.W. Brother Bishop W. L. Wright brought hearty Masonic felicitations from M.W. Brother Joseph A. Hearn, Grand Master and all the brethren of the Grand Lodge of Canada (in the Province of Ontario). He also expressed his personal thanks for the many acts of kindness extended to him since his arrival. He said his Grand Lodge would be celebrating their Centenary in 1955 and he extended a warm welcome to any who could visit with them at that time. He pointed out that as a Churchman, he wished to emphasize that while Masonry was a form of morality it was not a religion. However, he concluded "but to be a good Mason one must be a good churchman, and as long as we live up to this, we cannot help but be better Masons and consequently better men."

PRESENTATION OF COMMISSION

The Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray presented to M.W. Brother W. H. Jackson, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, his Commission as the Representative of this Grand Lodge near the Grand Lodge of Alberta, and in doing so said how pleased he was to be able to make a personal presentation to a member of a daughter Grand Lodge.

GREETINGS FROM DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

M.W. Bro. W. H. Jackson, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, thanked M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray for his appointment and for the personal presentation of his Commission. He said, like the brethren in Manitoba, the brethren in Alberta were greatly concerned a year ago regarding the health of M.W. Brother Gray but he was happy now to see him restored to health and on the job assigned to him this year. Like Manitoba, we have a far-flung Jurisdiction as we have a lodge at Yellowknife, N.W.T. 200 miles from the Arctic Circle and it is thrilling to find Freemasonry being practiced so eminently by our brethren in these far away places. "I often wonder" he said, "if we appreciate our membership in the Craft, because if we are to retain the advanced position we hold today, we must be true to the great Principles of the Order. If we lose sight of our objective, we will blunder in the morass of uncertainty. The future lies in returning to the Faith of our Fathers, showing in private life and public service what Masonry means and the type of citizen it produces." He concluded, "if all Freemasons would practice what they preach, what a difference it could make, as only men of good will can bring Good Will to the world."

M.W. Brother R. L. Hanbidge, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan brought his personal greetings and the greetings of the members of his Grand Lodge and our daughter Grand Lodge. He said he too was delighted to see M.W. Brother Gray had recovered from his illness and once more was in good health. On behalf of his wife and for his own cordial welcome and most hospitable treatment, he expressed his sincere and most grateful thanks.

M.W. Bro. Hugh M. Reid, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Virginia in opening his remarks said, he could not help but notice the reference to Mother and Daughter Grand Lodges, as in his case, the Grand Lodge of Virginia had no Mother Grand Lodge, but was a hybrid from English, Scottish and Pennsylvania Jurisdiction Lodges. For the first time a Grand Master of Virginia coming to Canada, had gone west of Ontario, and it was a delightful experience to visit with us. Although Irish by birth, he had for many years been a resident of Virginia. "If a man comes from Virginia he will tell you so within three minutes of your first conversation with him," he said, "if he does not come from there, don't embarrass him by asking his native State." He continued by remarking "that he liked to think of Masonry as a very simple thing and not at all complicated. There is nothing complicated about the Brotherhood of Man and the Fatherhood of God. It is a very clear, concise and simple idea. There is no need to change our basic fundamentals," he concluded, "this combats the arguments that Masonry must change with a changing world. If we are to go ahead, we must cling to our ancient landmarks and usages."

ADJOURNMENT

Grand Lodge adjourned at 12.00 Noon to enable the brethren to attend the Luncheon given under the auspices of the Past Masters' Association of Greater Winnipeg.

GRAND LODGE LUNCHEON

A Complimentary Luncheon was provided for the out-of-town brethren and distinguished guests by the Past Masters' Association of Greater Winnipeg, supported by the majority of the lodges comprising the Greater Winnipeg Area.

Luncheon was served at 12.30 p.m. with the President of the Past Masters' Association, W. Bro. B. Stuart Parker (4) in the Chair. W. Bro. Percy Houston (138) introduced the guest speaker, M.W. Brother Edward J. Franta, Immediate Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota, who gave the following address:

"WE WALK TOGETHER"

You go to your church, and I'll go to mine—but let's walk together.

Ever since I saw that simple statement on a wall calendar, hanging in a dingy little restaurant, the significance of that remark as a broad statement of Masonic principle has grown upon me.

Isn't it all there, brethren—the command to acknowledge our belief in God, "You go to your church"—the individual confession of faith, "I'll go to mine"—and the one thing that makes Masonry so different and so enduring—We Walk Together.

It is an undeniable and perhaps regrettable truth that while our belief in God unites us, it is our belief about God, which is religion, that separates us.

It is very fortunate, Brethren, whether you have realized it or not, that Masonry grew to its maturity in those days before religions started to tear the world apart. It may sound startling to say that it is religions that have pushed the world to the brink of what may be catastrophe, but I see it no other way.

A great deal has been said—countless charges have been hurled against Russia and Communism. All of the God-loving part of the world fears the growing domination of the Godless Kremlin. But God's children, for all their organization in churches, religions, denominations and creeds are leaving the fight against Communism to politicians. The politicians, as ever, must so much govern every act as it might affect their re-election, that they cannot do an honest job of fighting anything.

It is my firm conviction that the fight against Communism is a religious war, not a political campaign. Figure it out for yourselves. Communism isn't too much different in its governmental objectives from any other political system. The primary objective of every political system, be it Liberal or Conservative—Republican or Democrat—is to perpetuate itself in power. That and not much more is the political purpose of the Communist movement. While none of us can in any way subscribe to its political expediency, we shudder at the realization of its effectiveness.

The big difference between Communism and the Masonic way of life, Brethren, is not in political philosophy. Far greater than the difference in political and governmental processes is the relative position of God in Russia and in Our World. We look to God for strength, inspiration and love. To us God is everything. Communism denies God and places its faith in the might of material things. That's the difference, and politicians as such do not realize the significance of that difference. That's the difference, my Brothers, and that difference must be erased by those who know God, and not by those who are seeking votes.

If the people of our World would unite in their fidelity to God—in their faith—instead of trying to march God at the head of each of their particular religious denominations—they could bring light and more light to people all over the world.

Throughout the years nations have spread the light of civilization by sending merchant princes to the far corners—and too often following the tradesmen with armies. Never have we done a job of spreading the love of God as Masons know it.

I do not belittle the work of countless missionaries. In almost every instance theirs were enormous personal contributions, expending many years and even entire lifetimes. The financial contributions and well-wishes with which we have supported them are not worthy of mention as sacrifices. But all the heroic works of these good people were not much more than denominational charities. It is entirely possible that some beneficiary might have contact with two missionaries and might even be led to believe that they represented two different Gods. Never have the children of God been united enough in the one basic landmark of their religions to transmit their faith effectively. Individuals may teach individuals or even groups of individuals, but it takes nations to teach nations.

I shudder, brothers, to think of what the vast majority of the people of the world think of our part of the world. After all, most of the people of the world are neither believers in God nor Communists. The uncounted millions of Asia and Africa could easily make the world's decision between God and the power of mere man and material things. If they make their decision now between our world and Communism, it will be made on a political basis and will lead to nothing but continuing turmoil. The decision must be made by choosing between God and the might of men and material things.

Today those who merely watch the struggle between those on the side of God and their adversaries can hardly recognize the difference. They see armies and politicians vying in many parts of the world. Until those who watch can recognize the influence of God on our side, they are very likely to see only the undeniable fact that the side which had repudiated God is gaining in strength and power.

Communism has a potent argument in the fact that it once was a part of God's world, but has outgrown that philosophy. It can claim to have progressed beyond belief in God, and may even make it seem that it has been progress. On the other hand, those who watch, if they watch us to learn what difference is made by belief in God, will see that it seems to make more differences than anything else. These differences, not in God, but in the man-made dogmas which make our religions so different, cause a disunity in our world which must be overcome if we are ever to find the road to peace.

No greater shame can come to our religions under God, in these days when the future of the world is at stake, than the results of such disunity. Church leaders of all denominations, who in their periodic legislative conclaves, make more rules and formulate more dogma to make it harder for Our World to get together, are responsible for the disunity that has grown so marked that even our popular magazines are finding that most attractive features are those about religious denominations, pointing out how they are different from other creeds, some even detailing what those of one denomination don't like and fear in another denomination.

Not very long ago in the small North Dakota town where I was reared and where my mother still lives, the community was ripped wide open into two religious factions at municipal election time, all over the showing of the motion picture, "Martin Luther," at the local theatre. We all agreed that the picture should be shown, that every theatre operator should be free to show it.

Not too long ago, in a discussion with a Manitoba brother about the over-emphasis on religious denominationalism, he remarked, "Oh, we aren't bothered with that kind of stuff." Not as a flat contradiction of our good brother, but merely as an observation, I say that if it happens in one province it may very probably sometime happen in another province in these days of merging populations, facilitated by far-flung economic interest, easy transportation and quick communication. Is not over-emphasis on religious denominationalism obvious in the edict of the Film Censorship Board of the Province of Quebec which banned the showing of the "Martin Luther" film, not only in commercial theaters, but even in churches for the benefit of their own membership?

How in the world will disunity like that ever win against a common enemy?

I can understand why there may be honest differences of opinion about methods, but it is beyond understanding how those differences can be permitted to grow to such proportions that the fundamental purpose of all religions is obscured. To my mind, this exhibition of disunity is aiding in the sabotage of the strength, power and influence of God in this world. Unity is much more important in our struggle for the survival of the soul of man than the preservation of minor dogmatic differences. We must put religion ahead of politics and religion must put God ahead of dogma.

The religions of Our World must put emphasis on their basic affirmations, rather than on clerical garb, ritualistic ceremonies, and promotional activities that may be conceived more for the purpose of perpetuating administrative dynasties than for the glorification of God. All religions believe in God. They affirm the divinity of the Holy Scriptures. They anticipate the ultimate reign of justice on earth. They affirm the improvability of human nature. They have confidence in the imperishability of the human soul.

Well, you might say, that's Masonry!

True, Brethren, that is Masonry. But when I came to that conclusion in my thinking on this subject, which has been bothering me a great deal for several years, I didn't come to the conclusion that Masonry must save the world. Neither did I conclude that Masonry must send missionaries to spread the true light to the far corners.

Before I tell you what I think we should do today and tomorrow, let me take one minute to remind you of what happened yesterday.

Nothing has caused more trouble in the modern world than appeasement, which always turns out to be no more than an attempt at appeasement. The aggressor has never been stopped by appeasement. You are all familiar with historic appeasements that led to disaster or near-disaster in political negotiations and military conflict. Appeasement in the Korean incident didn't stop anything except shooting in one particular sector. It released those guns to kill in another area. The latest appeasement effort at Geneva failed even before it started.

The appeasement that signalled to Communism that Our World would yield at every crucial stage happened at San Francisco at the first meeting of the United Nations in 1945, when Our World cast God aside to appease the Russians.

There was no appeal for Divine guidance at that meeting, nor is prayer ever offered at a meeting of the United Nations.

Isn't it shameful appeasement that even when a room, really intended for prayer, is provided in the United Nations building, Our World concedes again by calling it a Meditation room, making it perfectly proper for the Communist renegades to do their Godless conniving in the only small room in a world of a building where God might give guidance to those who so sorely need it? That's the pitiful situation we find ourselves in, Brethren—God was not invited in when he was most needed.

You and I can't save the world today. Neither can the Grand Lodge of Manitoba nor all of Masonry. But every Mason has full confidence that God can make all things right, and I know that it wouldn't take Him long. In Masonry we walk together, and the one thing that keeps us together, regardless of religious, political and life's competitive differences is our belief in God.

If the nations in Our World would only walk together in the same all-important faith that unites Masons, Communism would fade into an unpleasant memory like others that have scourged the world in ages past.

It is my positive contention that if Communism had not been appeased at San Francisco in 1945—if our countries had insisted that God be invited—the satellite countries, before they were as completely absorbed as today, would have made any sacrifice necessary to be on God's side. The satellites would have found unbelievable strength if we had supported them, right at that time, with faith in God, rather than ever since with propaganda broadcasts and leaflets.

A world religion is not the answer. The decay of Godliness in countries with state or dominant religions proves that. Italy has a dominant religion and only 17 per cent of its people attend church. Norway has a state religion and less than 10 per cent of its people attend church. Every person in the world is entitled to worship under any creed he chooses. The world will always be better with freedom of worship, but the world's troubles will never be cured until all men put their faith in God first and confine their denominational dogmas to their personal religious lives.

It's getting pretty late, but I still have confidence that the entire complexion of the world situation would change if at the next session and every session of the United Nations, some Masonically inspired man would offer a sincere prayer to God. True,we could not lay down our arms tomorrow, nor dispense with our diplomatic corps, but we would be happy and proud of their achievemnts in the name of God.

The most decisive battles of history always are fought on the inner battlefield. Even in a war, behind the outer clash of armies is the quiet debate in the councils of the strategists. Behind the lawyer's stirring plea and victory in public court are his unseen decisions in his private thinking. Behind a great career that moves the world are inner struggles that make no noise.

Behind the character of Our World are the chambers in the hearts of men, with the doors shut, where souls pray. And there, on that inner battlefield, where every one of us must fight together, drafted without exception for this war—the long-term issues of today's world will be decided.

We do not pray for victory in a religious war, because there would be no war as Communism's mere men are faced by God. Our incomparable unity of purpose would become the most irresistable force the world has ever known. Those who watch would see us walk together and would walk with us.

The Marco Polos failed. The Caesars and Napoleons failed. The Churchills and Dulleses are failing. God as Masonry knows Him, will not fail.

World peace is not created by laws nor treaties, it is not bought, even with the necessary commodities of life. It cannot be won in wars.

World peace will come only when strong men say to the world—"We Walk Together—With God."

W. Bro. Allan J. Ryckman (1) thanked the guest speaker for such a fine and inspiring address.

W. Bro. B. Stuart Parker, President of the Association proposed the Toast to the M.W. Grand Master and in doing so said he would like to break away from tradition, and toast not the Office which is customary, but to toast the Grand Master as an individual, a friend of so many who were present. The Grand Master had recovered his health after a time of great stress, while still presiding at the Grand Lodge

Sessions was under a certain strain and he suggested that we relieve the Grand Master from an Official response. The toast was taken, wish best wishes to the Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray, who gratefully acknowledged it.

Bro. Kerr Wilson entertained the gathering with some fine solos, with the gathering participating in the choruses.

R.W. Bro. Donald McDonald (117) thanked the Past Masters' Association and through them, the Host Lodges for the fine luncheon and hospitality, for the very fine Address and the enjoyable time, had by all.

THURSDAY, JUNE 3rd, 1954

Afternoon Session

Grand Lodge was called from Refreshment to Labor by the Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray at 2.30 p.m.

HONORARY RANK—R.W. BROTHER THOMAS C. JACKSON

M.W. Brother F. H. Blythe (93) presented the following Resolution:

Brethren:

Freemasonry is quick to pay tribute to long service brethren and equally quick to reward merit, and Distinguished Service to the Craft.

R.W. Brother Thomas C. Jackson brought to the Office of Grand Secretary a lifetime of commercial experience, a deep affection for Freemasonry, and an earnest desire to be of service to this Grand Jurisdiction.

This has resulted in better administration of Grand Lodge affairs, closer harmony between the Secretaries of constituent Lodges and Grand Lodge. His wide knowledge of the Constitution and a talent for organizing has placed him in the ranks of Veteran Grand Secretaries.

It is our earnest prayer that he may long be spared to serve this Grand Lodge. As an expression of our appreciation for the outstanding service rendered this Grand Lodge, by R.W. Bro. Thomas C. Jackson, I offer this motion:

MOTION RE HONORARY RANK

One of the Constitutional privileges of this Grand Lodge is that of conferring upon brethren who have rendered distinguished service to the Craft, Honorary Rank in this Grand Jurisdiction.

It is, therefore, with great pleasure that I now move THAT THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA, A.F. & A.M., DO HEREBY CONFER UPON RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER THOMAS CYRIL JACKSON THE RANK OF HONORARY PAST GRAND MASTER OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Bro. Blythe moved its adoption, seconded by M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (7). Carried.

The Grand Secretary was then admitted to the Grand Lodge room and while standing at the Altar the M.W. Grand Master announced the action just taken by Grand Lodge and addressed the Grand Secretary in his new rank of "Most Worshipful Brother."

M.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson, deeply moved by this unanticipated action by Grand Lodge found it hard to express his thanks. In his 38 years of membership he felt that any Masonic rank which had come from his Lodge and Jurisdiction had been earned, and while he thanked the brethren from the bottom of his heart, he felt he was now being honored with something he had not earned.

In commenting on M.W. Bro. Jackson's expression of thanks, the M.W. Grand Master said he could not agree with the latter remark of our new "Most Worshipful Brother"—in his opinion, the honor was rightly earned and he was proud to be the Grand Master who had the privilege to confirm it.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

"INVESTMENTS"

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Brethren,
Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Investments begs to report that during the year ended March 31st, 1954, the par value of Bond Investments of Grand Lodge were increased by $25,500.00, by the purchase of:

Government of Canada Bonds 3% Maturing May 1, 1957	$ 3,400.00
Government of Canada Bonds 3% Maturing June 1, 1959	5,000.00
Government of Canada Bonds 3% Maturing Feb. 1, 1962	5,000.00
Government of Canada Bonds 3% Maturing Oct. 1, 1963	7,600.00
Government of Canada Bonds 3% Maturing Sept. 1, 1966	5,000.00
Ontario Hydro Electric 4% Bonds Maturing Apr. 15, 1968	8,000.00
	$34,000.00

Less;

By redemption on maturity of Canadian National Railway Bonds	$8,000.00	
Canadian Government Bonds	500.00	
		8,500.00
		$25,500.00

Funds for investment were made available as follows:

Donations from Constituent Lodges and individual brethren	$ 1,692.00
Disaster Fund	22,305.25
War Effort Fund	752.00
	$24,749.25

Respectfully submitted,

N. J. BLACK,
Chairman
Committee on Investments.

This report was presented by M.W. Bro. N. J. Black (3) who moved its adoption, seconded by M.W. Bro. H. Coddington (1). Carried.

"FINANCE"

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members,
Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Finance begs to submit the following report:

Your Committee on Finance, during the past year has carefully supervised all matters pertaining to the General Fund of Grand Lodge. Meetings were held regularly each month to check and authorize payment of all accounts presented through the Grand Secretary.

Balance of Income and Expenditure as at March 31st, 1954, is as follows:

Income Budgeted	$27,740.00
Income Actual	26,456.63
Expenditures Budgeted	32,255.00
Expenditures Actual	27,921.60
Surplus as at March 31st, 1953	25,095.87
Surplus as at March 31st, 1954	26,033.84
Excess of Expenditure over Income	1,464.97

This year, it was necessary to have a revision and reprint of a number of our standard forms and also to replace our stock of Constitutions. Due to the increased cost of this latter printing, the sale price to our Constituent Lodges has necessarily been increased, and is now $13.80 per dozen or $1.25 per copy.

The Committee felt, to properly protect Grand Lodge, the Public Liability Insurance should be increased, which matter having authorization, has been completed. The Committee was of the opinion that an "honorarium" to our Grand Secretary was not sufficient consideration of the great amount of work he is doing, and therefore at their suggestion, the Board of General Purposes authorized a suitable increase—it also authorized an increase in salary to Miss Anderson.

We wish to convey our grateful thanks to our Grand Secretary for his untiring and painstaking attention to every detail in his Office. The duties in the Office appear to be efficiently conducted and all records to which it was necessary to refer are well kept.

We also wish to convey our thanks to the staff for their co-operation and assistance at all times.

The Budget, showing the approximate Income and Expenditure for the year 1954-1955 is attached to and forms part of this report.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN P. MOWAT,
Chairman.

BUDGET 1954-1955

INCOME

	Estimated 1953-54	Actual 1953-54	Estimated 1954-55
Dues	$22,000.00	$21,803.75	$22,300.00
Initiations	1,400.00	1,386.00	1,300.00
Master Mason Certificates	1,400.00	1,436.00	1,300.00
Life Membership Certificates	100.00	128.00	100.00
Past Master Certificates	90.00	103.50	100.00
Dispensations	150.00	207.00	175.00
Bond Interest	300.00	300.00	300.00
Benevolent Fund Administration Fee	300.00	300.00	300.00
Stock	2,000.00	1,060.63	300.00
Fidelity Bonds		31.75	
	$27,740.00	$26,756.63	$26,175.00

EXPENDITURE

Salaries	$ 9,700.00	$ 9,715.00	$ 9,800.00
Grand Lodge Communications—Proceedings	1,300.00	1,347.00	1,500.00
Other Expenses	2,000.00	1,791.37	2,000.00
Constitution and Consecrations	300.00	78.41	75.00
Masonry in Manitoba	2,650.00	2,453.51	2,900.00
Annuities	500.00	497.52	520.00
Library	1,600.00	1,394.10	1,600.00
Stock (Supplies)	2,000.00		
Rent	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Grand Master	1,000.00	1,099.97	1,000.00
Grand Secretary and G. L. Officers	1,500.00	346.29	500.00

EXPENDITURE—Cont.

Re Lodges Under the Grand Master	500.00	332.50	500.00
Board Meetings	800.00	950.82	800.00
Area Meetings	1,200.00	1,147.31	900.00
Stationery and Office Expenses	1,000.00	879.81	800.00
Regalia	1,500.00	1,215.80	300.00
Conferences: Banff	400.00	389.25	400.00
Washington	400.00	509.06	
All-Canada			350.00
Furniture and Fixtures	200.00		200.00
Audit	400.00	400.00	400.00
Postage and Express	475.00	461.68	600.00
Life Membership Certificates		59.40	
Master Mason Certificates	200.00	251.41	275.00
Past Master Certificates			
Donation—Elgin Lodge No. 86		75.25	
Telephone and Telegraph	165.00	156.67	165.00
Masonic Relief Association	110.00	107.20	115.00
Fifty-year Jewels	125.00	275.00	300.00
Insurance	150.00	150.92	250.00
Christmas Expense	100.00		100.00
Unemployment Insurance	80.00	101.66	105.00
Committees:			
Research and Education	50.00	234.97	100.00
Condition of Freemasonry	60.00		100.00
Correspondence	25.00		15.00
Benevolence	50.00		50.00
Exchange	40.00	35.49	40.00
Safety Deposit Box	25.00	25.00	25.00
Miscellaneous	150.00	189.23	175.00
	$32,255.00	$28,221.60	$28,460.00
Estimated Income			26,175.00
To be taken from Surplus			$ 2,285.00

This report was presented by R. W. Bro. W. Percy White (4), who moved its adoption seconded by R.W. Bro. D. Rothstein (141). Carried.

DECLARATION OF CLOSE OF BALLOT

At this point, the M.W. Grand Master stated it was 3.00 p.m. and he declared the ballot closed.

PRESENTATION OF FIFTY-YEAR JEWELS

R.W. Bro. David Rothstein, Grand Director of Ceremonies was requested to present at the Grand East, those brethren who were to be presented with Fifty-year Jewels.

Bro. John Daniel Millar, Stonewall Lodge No. 12—Initiated February 9th, 1904.

Bro. James Arkle, Sturgeon Creek Lodge No. 145—Initiated May 26th, 1904.

Bro. Thomas Wallace, Transcona Lodge No. 123—Initiated Nov. 18th, 1903.

Bro. Hugh Chambers, Beaver Lodge No. 139—Initiated Aug. 19th, 1903.

In acknowledging the presence of these brethren, the Grand Master M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray said he was so pleased one of his last duties was the presentation of these Fifty-year Jewels, honoring these brethren each of whom has completed over a half-century of Masonic Service. "You," he said "now join a select group who have set an example that we who follow are trying to emulate. This is a jewel I know you will wear proudly as a mark in your Masonic career, and I am sure the brethren of Grand Lodge would want me to say to you, we honor you this day and wish you long life, health and happiness while you wear your Jewel."

Grand Honors were then accorded these Masonic veterans after which they resumed their seats.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

"CONSTITUTION AND REVISION"

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through the Committee on Constitution and Revision submits the following report:

At the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge held in the month of June, 1953, a large number of amendments to the Constitution were proposed and the majority thereof were passed by Grand Lodge. Following these amendments there was a reprinting of the Constitution and your committee has endeavored to curtail the number of amendments thereto during the current year.

To the knowledge of your committee there has been only one proposed amendment so far submitted. This has been duly approved as to form and will come up for consideration at the Annual Communication to be held in the month of June this year.

Certain other matters have also been referred to this committee by the Board of General Purposes, all of which have received careful consideration and have been dealt with.

The committee generally and the undersigned as Chairman in particular regret that W. Bro. A. E. Boyle has not enjoyed his usual robust health during all of this past year and his guiding hand has been greatly missed.

Your committee wishes again to extend its appreciation of the cooperation at all times received from the office of the Grand Secretary, the other members ot the Board and from the Craft in general.

All of which is respectfully and fraternally submitted.

K. R. KENNEDY
Chairman

This report was presented by the Grand Secretary, M.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson (3). M.W. Bro. M. S. Donovan (158) moved that it be adopted, seconded by R.W. Bro. J. Longbottom (112). Carried.

"MASONIC RESEARCH AND EDUCATION AND GRAND LODGE LIBRARY"

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through its Committee on Masonic Research and Education begs to report for the year 1953-54 as follows:

During the year, your Committee held five meetings, and I wish here, to thank the members for the time they gave so generously in their attendance at these meetings, and for their friendly and frank discussions, enabling us to arrive at decisions which I trust will make some contribution to the benefit of the Craft.

One of our first considerations was trying to ascertain what use was being made of "The Master's Assistant"—that excellent book that had been supplied in 1948 to every Lodge in the Grand Jurisdiction for the use of the Master.

It was found that in a large proportion of the Lodges, the book was in use. However, a number of Lodges were not using it—did not even know where it was! After considerable correspondence by our Grand Secretary, it was decided to purchase sufficient copies to supply at cost all Lodges where the book could not be located; free copies to be supplied to the six Lodges formed since the book was issued. Also one copy without charge was sent to Elgin Lodge whose copy had been lost by fire.

"PANEL SPEAKERS": Consideration was given by your Committee to the question of providing when requested by a Lodge, speakers, preferably on Masonic subjects, or of supplying Masonic information or suggestions which might be of assistance in improving Lodge programmes. Considerable thought and discussion took place on how this could best be accomplished.

Letters were sent out under the hand of the Grand Secretary to the Secretary of every Lodge in the Grand Jurisdiction advising them of the willingness of the Committee to help with speakers, with suggestions, or in any way possible if requested by the Lodge. Unfortunately too few Lodges availed themselves of this opportunity, however, some nineteen speakers were supplied. We regret that we were not able to fill the requests of one or two lodges due to geographical location.

Quite a number of these assignments were taken by members of the Committee. Others in the Brandon area were arranged for by our Deputy Grand Master, R.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans, whose efforts the Committee sincerely appreciates.

Your Committee appreciates and wishes to report on the excellent educational value of our Masonic Paper "Masonry in Manitoba" which goes out monthly without charge to every Mason in good standing in the Grand Jurisdiction, and I am sure every thoughtful Mason receiving this paper values highly the contribution the Editor is making in his presentation of so many varied and worthwhile Masonic subjects. For him, it is but further evidence of his deep interest in Freemasonry.

In the course of our planning we realized that there is a certain lack of continuity of effort from year to year in the work of your Committee. This is due partially to the fact that to some extent the personnel, of necessity, changes yearly. With this thought in mind, at our January meeting, a suggestion was made by our Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray that this Committee recommend to the Board of General Purposes the setting up of a small sub-committee to build up and direct a Masonic Education and Study programme for use throughout the Grand Jurisdiction.

After considerable discussion a committee composed of the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray, the Grand Librarian, M.W. Bro. Harry B. Donnelly and the Chairman, R.W. Bro. E. L. White were appointed to consider the suggestion and report back at the next meeting of the Committee.

At the following meeting they reported as follows:

1. That a Committee of three be appointed to investigate and make recommendations on the subject of a Masonic Education and Study plan.

2. That the Grand Librarian be Chairman of this Committee and the Grand Master with the Grand Librarian be empowered to select the other two members.
3. That the Committee investigate the need for Masonic Education, review methods now used in other Grand Jurisdictions and draw up plans to make our Masonic Education more effective in our Lodges. All such plans to be subject to the approval of the Committee on Research and Education.
4. That the Committee on Research and Education recommend to the Board of General Purposes that the members of the Committee shall be appointed for a period of two years from June 1954.

This report was adopted for recommendation to the Board of General Purposes.

During the year by request of the Grand Librarian and on recommendation of the Library sub-committee, a number of books were purchased and added to our Library shelves. These books were selected with care and should make a fine addition to the books available.

May I remind the brethren that this is your Library, its object being to help circulate Masonic knowledge. It is the privilege of every Mason in good standing to use it, and we have a Librarian who is never happier than when assisting some brother in the selection of a book, or when rendering, from his vast fund of Masonic knowledge, some assistance to a brother wishing to become better informed.

"Area Meetings": The question of Area Meetings was given early consideration and it was decided to continue this effort. In order to make a wise and satisfactory decision as to where they should be held, a sub-committee was appointed to make a study and survey, and report back to the Committee. As a result, it was decided to hold three Area Meetings this year as follows:

Carman—April 23rd	Host Lodge, Carman No. 155.
Kenton—April 29th	Host Lodge, Woodworth No. 166.
Roblin—April 30th	Host Lodge, Roblin No. 122.

This decision being reached, another sub-committee was appointed to arrange in conjunction with the Host Lodges, programmes for each of these meetings. In making these arrangements each Lodge concerned entered into all arrangements with enthusiasm.

When the time finally arrived for holding these meetings, continued rain and snow threatened cancellation or postponement; however, they were carried through as planned and the faith in the brethren of these Areas was fully justified for every meeting place was filled to capacity.

I will not go into details of the meetings more than to say that the brethren were first provided with an excellent dinner by the ladies of the Eastern Star at Carman and Roblin and the Women's Institute at Kenton, then adjournment was made to the Lodge Room, Lodge opened, the brethren welcomed by the Master, then a programme beginning with Community Singing led by our Grand Librarian, who proved himself adept in a role few of us had seen him fill previously. After which, there were planned discussions, debates, Masonic Plays—one by the brethren of Empire Lodge No. 127, one by the brethren of Hiram Lodge No. 94, both exemplifying very deep Masonic truths. Then the ever-popular question period conducted by R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett and finally an Address by the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray, who in his sincere and quiet way dealt with various problems and responsibilities of Freemasons.

It was felt that the educational value of these meetings had been well worthwhile. The brethren of the different areas had been enthusiastic and real and lasting benefit was bound to result from these gatherings of fellowship and good will.

Financially we have been able to operate within our budget. The record of the expenditures of the Committee and the proposed budget for 1954-55 will be found in the Report of the Committee on Finance.

In closing I would like to express on behalf of the Committee, our appreciation of the attendance of our Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray at our meetings. Also for the assistance of our Grand Secretary, and his staff and of our Grand Librarian who has been a tower of strength in offering suggestions, preparing plans for Area Meetings and personally supplying many calls for assistance.

The report of the Grand Librarian, M.W. Bro. Harry B. Donnelly is appended to and forms part of the report of this Committee.

Fraternally submitted on behalf of the Committee,

E. L. WHITE
Chairman.

REPORT OF THE GRAND LIBRARIAN

R.W. Brother E. L. White, Chairman,
Committee on Masonic Research and Education.

Dear Sir and R.W. Brother:

I have the honor to present the report of the Grand Librarian for the Masonic year ending March 31st 1954.

Your present Librarian took charge of the Library at the beginning of July, 1953 and found it necessary, of course, to spend considerable time in becoming acquainted with the Library itself and with the duties connected with its operation. Everything was found in good order in the Library, and only a few changes in the arrangement of books on the shelves and in classification have been made.

The main purpose of the Library is to provide the reading material to those who are interested in furthering their Masonic knowledge. In this respect the demand for books has been fairly steady. A total of 302 books have gone out, and many of these have been read by more than one brother, so this number does not indicate the actual total of readers. Besides these books, 88 clippings, pamphlets and various Transactions have been borrowed. The clipping file has been classified and catalogued, and this forms one of the most helpful sources of information for brethren seeking help in particular topics.

There are approximately 800 volumes in the Circulating section of the Library. For the larger proportion of these books there is little or no demand, yet they remain a useful part of the Library. There are about 25 or 30 Titles that are most frequently requested, covering Philosophy and Symbolism, Degrees and Rites, and to a lesser degree, the History of Freemasonry. A total of 54 books have been added to the Library, all by purchase except two which were donated, and which have been duly acknowledged. Most of these books were additional copies of some already in the Library and which were found to be in fairly constant demand.

The duties of the Librarian extend beyond the lending of books. Assistance has been given in preparing various addresses, in securing information, in providing Lodge programmes in the form of questions, plays and other activities, and in discussing with Masters and Officers methods of deepening the interest of the members in the meaning and application of Freemasonry.

Your Librarian has made efforts to increase interest in the Library by drawing attention to its facilities on every possible occasion. He has had the privilege of addressing a number of Lodges on the Library and on the opportunities it offers for advancement in Masonic knowledge. By permission of the Grand Master, the Deputy Grand Master, and the Chairman of the Committee on the Condition of Freemasonry, letters were sent to all those elected to the office of District Deputy Grand Master for the coming year, offering them whatever assistance the Library could give them in preparing for the duties of their office. A good proportion of these have responded and have been supplied with books and other material. Also, a Book Display has been arranged for each of the Area Meetings and a Reading Course listing 25 books with brief notes on their contents has been drawn up for distribution.

Your Committee has approved a plan to put in operation a card system for the Circulation Section of the Library. An effort is being made to have as many of the outstanding books as possible returned, in order that the system may be in operation for the opening of Lodge activities in September.

Allow me to express to you my personal thanks for the support and encouragement you have given me. I am grateful also to all the members of the Committee for their sincere interest. I have been much indebted to the Grand Secretary and to his staff for many courtesies and much helpful assistance. All this has made my first year as Librarian easier, and has added to its enjoyment.

Yours sincerely and fraternally,

H. B. DONNELLY
Grand Librarian.

This report was presented by R.W. Bro. E. L. White (131) who moved its adoption, seconded by R.W. Bro. A. E. Duff (130). Carried.

"MASONIC BROTHERHOOD DISASTER FUND"

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba A.F. and A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Board of General Purposes through the Committee on "Masonic Brotherhood Disaster Fund," begs to submit the following report covering the activities of the Committee since its formation.

Up to May 31, 1954, 113 Lodges out of a total of 115 have forwarded a total of $14,299.13. These contributions have come from 3369 individual brethren out of a total membership of approximately 15,000.

Appended to this report is a detailed statement by Districts of total amounts received from each Lodge together with the total number of brethren subscribing in each Lodge.

As approximately 20% of the membership in the Jurisdiction have contributed $14,299.13, we recommend that the fund be left open to give the balance of the brethren an opportunity to subscribe.

We also recommend that these funds be administered by "The Masonic Disaster Relief Fund" Committee.

Fraternally submitted,

R. E. EMMETT,
Chairman.

Contributions received to May 31st, 1954.

MASONIC BROTHERHOOD DISASTER FUND

Lodge and No. by Districts	No. of Contributors	Amount Contributed	Average Contribution
FIRST MASONIC DISTRICT			
1. Prince Rupert's	113	$ 586.50	
3. Ancient Landmark	57	374.00	
4. St. John's	85	501.50	
10. Northern Light	64	501.00	
25. Ionic	176	1,114.50	
93. King Edward	26	145.00	
111. Acacia	41	146.00	
114. "The Assiniboine"	36	377.00	
119. Norwood	54	270.00	
121. St. James	76	444.00	
127. Empire	91	280.00	
162. Ashlar	17	54.00	
165. Friendship	39	233.00	
	875	$5,026.50	$5.73
SECOND MASONIC DISTRICT			
7. Assiniboine	40	$ 170.00	
11. Gladstone	21	58.50	
24. Neepawa	28	105.00	
29. Carberry	11	40.00	
49. Temple	28	74.00	
75. Gothic	11	34.00	
108. Union	10	39.00	
116. St. Andrew's	11	30.00	
133. McCreary	16	49.00	
U.D. Marquette	18	39.00	
	194	$ 638.50	$3.29

MASONIC BROTHERHOOD DISASTER FUND—Continued

Lodge and No. by Districts	No. of Contributors	Amount Contributed	Average Contribution
THIRD MASONIC DISTRICT			
48. Glenboro	13	$ 72.00	
51. Treherne	19	43.00	
63. Holland	21	59.00	
67. Wawanesa	14	32.50	
82. Cypress	1	10.00	
87. Rathwell	10	30.00	
103. Crescent	......	....	
109. Swan Lake	18	38.00	
117. Strathcona	30	111.50	
160. Starbuck	21	37.00	
	147	$ 433.00	$2.95
FOURTH MASONIC DISTRICT			
13. Morden	26	$ 87.00	
30. Manitou	10	34.00	
36. Doric	......	....	
50. Killarney	3	6.00	
71. Crystal	11	45.00	
118. Mound	2	10.00	
150. Cartwright	13	34.50	
	65	$ 216.50	$3.33
FIFTH MASONIC DISTRICT			
14. Prince of Wales	42	$ 121.00	
15. Corinthian	26	61.20	
39. Birtle	21	68.00	
62. Russell	6	20.00	
84. Hamiota	17	55.00	
92. Shoal Lake	28	109.00	
101. Binscarth	9	46.00	
102. Miniota	13	53.50	
106. Strathclair	26	98.00	
115. Rivers	4	23.00	
142. Harmony	2	9.75	
152. Foxwarren	18	48.00	
159. Newdale	21	21.00	
166. Woodworth	18	33.00	
	251	$ 766.45	$3.05
SIXTH MASONIC DISTRICT			
27. Glenwood	14	$ 79.00	
40. Deloraine	41	71.00	
52. Hartney	34	73.00	
54. Oriental	13	38.50	
77. Napinka	6	18.00	
86. Elgin	1	5.00	
104. Reston	26	100.35	
110. Kilwinning	24	70.00	
	159	$ 454.85	$2.85

MASONIC BROTHERHOOD DISASTER FUND—Continued

Lodge and No. by Districts	No. of Contributors	Amount Contributed	Average Contribution
SEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT			
19. Brandon	104	$ 287.50	
43. Lebanon	43	250.00	
44. Oak Lake	19	50.00	
64. Composite	25	55.64	
74. Elkhorn	14	48.00	
107. Lansdowne	6	23.00	
113. Tweed	50	206.50	
158. Fenwick	71	238.50	
	332	$1,159.14	$3.49
EIGHTH MASONIC DISTRICT			
6. Emerson	32	$ 168.00	
8. King Solomon	26	154.00	
55. East Star	15	47.00	
70. Shiloh	10	46.00	
90. Midlothian	7	34.00	
120. Penza	23	75.69	
125. Patricia	17	44.00	
132. Sprague	16	32.00	
155. Carman	5	10.00	
	151	$ 610.69	$4.04
NINTH MASONIC DISTRICT			
68. Vermillion	42	$ 204.00	
94. Hiram	4	36.00	
100. Robbie Burns	17	25.00	
105. Prince Arthur	17	68.00	
122. Roblin	15	56.00	
126. Favel	18	36.00	
128. Victory	19	23.00	
147. Jubilee	6	45.00	
	138	$ 493.00	$3.57
TENTH MASONIC DISTRICT			
2. Lisgar	28	$ 98.00	
12. Stonewall	15	55.50	
112. Ophir	32	104.00	
123. Transcona	41	154.00	
131. Kildonan	22	87.00	
134. Stony Mountain	20	45.00	
148. Seven Oaks	33	89.00	
151. The Dormer	23	81.50	
154. Pine Falls	31	106.00	
156. Manitouwapa	23	80.00	
164. Harry Woods	25	76.00	
	293	$ 976.00	$3.33

MASONIC BROTHERHOOD DISASTER FUND—Continued

Lodge and No. by Districts	No. of Contributors	Amount Contributed	Average Contribution
TWELFTH MASONIC DISTRICT			
130. Fort Garry	53	$ 325.00	
136. Capitol	43	201.00	
137. Lord Selkirk	40	144.50	
138. Windsor	73	446.50	
139. Beaver	61	325.00	
140. Meridian	52	226.00	
141. Tuscan	42	300.00	
143. Mount Sinai	82	247.00	
144. Fort Osborne	45	198.00	
145. Sturgeon Creek	28	123.00	
146. Fidelity	98	415.50	
163. Charleswood	8	32.00	
U.D. Menorah	25	76.00	
	650	$3,059.50	$4.71
UNDER M.W. GRAND MASTER			
124. The Pas	4	$ 17.00	
153. Flin Flon	53	207.00	
157. Rice Lake	26	57.00	
161. Fort Prince of Wales	31	184.00	
	114	$ 465.00	$4.08
GRAND TOTAL 113 Lodges Contributing Received to May 31st, 1954.	3369	$14,299.13	$4.24

This report was presented by R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett (121) who moved its adoption, seconded by R.W. Bro. J. F. Irwin (24). Carried.

MOTION RE MASONIC DISTRICTS

The Committee on Re-allocation of Lodges to Masonic Districts, begs to report as follows:

After eighteen months of work your Committee, last January, made a comprehensive report dividing the Jurisdiction into Fourteen Districts. In March, the Board of

General Purposes approved the report, subject to changes which might be recommended after consideration by the Constituent Lodges. Many Lodges have requested further time for such consideration, and in view of the shortness of the time afforded so far, the Committee believes such requests to be reasonable.

Your Committee therefore recommends that the reception by Grand Lodge of the final report, be deferred for another year.

Your Committee also recommends that for the ensuing year, the Masonic Districts remain as they are with the exception that Marquette Lodge No. 21 be attached to the Second District, Friendship Lodge No. 165, to the First District, Woodworth Lodge No. 166, to the Seventh District and Menorah Lodge No. 167 to the Twelfth District.

Fraternally submitted,

S. H. FAHRNI,
Chairman

This report was presented and its adoption moved by M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (7), seconded by M.W. Bro. Coddington (1).

Before the adoption of the report was put to the vote, M.W. Bro. Fahrni said members of this Special Committee would be glad to attend any meeting or gathering of brethren to discuss this subject with them. The motion was then carried.

"FRATERNAL DEAD"

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

There are times when The Eternal opens a door for us and gives us a glimpse of the greatness of life, not merely within the limits of our earthly years, but into the far reaches of Eternity, of Life Immortal. Here, then let us turn our gaze for a few moments towards that world that lies beyond time and sense, into which so many of our brethren have entered.

Our Order attempts to prepare us to face this event of death with courage and with determination, and place our trust in the bountiful goodness of the Great Architect of the Universe.

Those we remember, have now wider knowledge of that Grand Lodge on High, and have at last found that which was lost.

God give them rest, joy, refreshment and Peace. We pick up the gavel that they have laid down, and life goes on preparing us for the Great Adventure. The God we need and seek, and will one day meet face to face, is not far off. He is seeking us.

The Masonic Brotherhood and fellowship as well as our sacred tenets and principles endeavor to aid us in making of our lives, that which is acceptable to the Great God on High. By our search to find Him, and discovering who and where He is, we learn whence we came and why, and have no fear of whither we go.

A wise warm-hearted poet once wrote about life:

> "I did not ask to come—nor do I know
> How long this pilgrimage, nor where, nor why.
> But still I feel all clearly show,
> Sometime, somewhere, beneath a fairer sky.
> And then I hope I shall not blush to see
> The finished thing I have made of me."
>
> —Edgar A. Guest.

It is God that works in us, such is the parable and the paradox of human life.

And now we record the names of our departed Officers:

M.W. Brother William James Major; R.W. Brethren James Martin Hough, Robert Fender Hunter, Clifford George McLean, John Pollock, Charles Richard Sayer, Frederick Starr, Abraham E. Weidman, A. Lawrence Wrye; V.W. Brethren John T. Bragg, William George Corbett, Samuel Edward Thomas Dodd, Arthur Mayne McGlashan, William Henry Simpson, Alexander C. B. Stewart, William James Young.

Officers	16
Members	285
	301

> "May the souls of the faithful departed, through the Mercy of God, rest in Peace, and may Light perpetual shine upon them."

O God, who has appointed unto men once to die, but has hidden from them the time of their death, help us so to live in this world that we may be ready to leave it; and that, being Thine in death as in life, we may come to the rest that remaineth for Thy people; Through Him who died and rose again for us, Thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen. (Response—So mote it be.)

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD L. NEWTON,
Chairman

This report was presented by the Acting Grand Chaplain, R.W. Bro. R. Fletcher Argue.

"GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS"

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

The Committee on the Grand Master's Address, appointed by the Board of General Purposes, begs to report as follows:

A year ago, this Grand Lodge felt a sore disappointment and keen anxiety in the absence of the Grand Master Elect seriously ill in the hospital. We rejoice with him today that he has been enabled since, to carry out the most of his programme and duties; the thoughts and prayers of the brethren were indeed with him during his time of trouble.

We concur with his tribute to the memory of our late M.W. Brother Wm. J. Major, a pillar of strength in our Grand Lodge for so many years. We commend the very fitting Memorial Service for our departed brethren and feel that this should be continued in future years in honor and tribute to those who have passed to the Grand Lodge Above.

We note a large number of presentations of Fifty-year Jewels. Our Grand Master has wisely pointed out that it is the duty of lodges to apply for these and that our older brethren who are entitled to this distinction should not have it withheld from them by the negligence of a lodge.

We heartily approve the Grand Master's plan to have more lodges visited by Grand Lodge Officers, under his direction. We trust this good work will be carried on in the future.

It would seem best that a record of all such visitations should be kept so that every lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction may be so visited in due time. It is impossible for the Grand Master to visit more than a limited number of lodges during his term of office. The Grand Master has started a plan, that possibly could be enlarged on, to assist him and future Grand Masters in the very important contacts of lodges with their Grand Lodge Officers.

We note that our Grand Master has travelled extensively during his term of office and we desire to express our gratitude to the Great Architect of the Universe that his health has been so restored as to permit him so to do.

We commend the Grand Master's interest in and the starting of the Masonic Brotherhood Disaster Fund.

The Grand Master's Recommendations:

We concur in his recommendation of a continuance of a yearly Service of Dedication.

We concur in his recommendation to supply lodges with a separate folder for edicts, rulings etc. They will thus be separate from the regular lodge files and not so liable to be mislaid or lost.

We concur in his recommendation that Masonic Events of significance such as anniversaries, special events, etc., should be reported, we suggest to the Grand Secretary, who could see that same were brough to the attention of the proper Committee.

Your Committee concurs in all the Grand Master's Official acts, during his term of Office.

At the conclusion of his Address, the Grand Master says, "if this report reflects any measure of success"—it is impossible for the Grand Master to put into a limited Address all that he has done, nor would he put in everything if he could.

To those who accompanied him on visitations and to those who were present, his thoughtfulness, sincerity of purpose and his genuine desire to meet all on a common level, endeared him to his brethren. He very capably carried out his duties and we know that the brethren will agree with this committee that the reflection of his measure of success has been very bright indeed.

Fraternally submitted,

CHAS. E. COLE
Chairman

This report was presented by M.W. Bro. C. E. Cole (7), who moved its adoption, seconded by M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (7). Carried.

"GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT"

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee is pleased to submit a summary of the Grand Secretary's Annual Report.

The Statistical portion of this Report is evidence of the amount of work to achieve the final analysis. The membership shows an increase of 292 as at December 31st, 1953, lowest in a period of five years. The total membership for the Jurisdiction is 15,176. There is a noticeable increase in Demits and Suspensions NPD. Thirteen lodges had no Initiations compared to eleven in 1952; eleven lodges conferred no degrees at all, compared to six lodges in 1952. However, your Committee feels that regardless of these decreases, Freemasonry still maintains a healthy and normal growth in this Grand Jurisdiction.

We note that two lodges have been issued Charters, namely, Friendship Lodge No. 165 on September 3rd, 1953, and Woodworth Lodge No. 166 on July 16th, 1953. Also, the M.W. Grand Master has granted Dispensations for the formation of two new Lodges—Marquette Lodge, U.D. in the City of Portage la Prairie and Menorah Lodge U.D. in the Municipality of East Kildonan.

The number of Degrees and Dispensations issued cast a very favorable light on the satisfactory condition of Masonic activity in this Jurisdiction. The many amendments to By-laws of constituent Lodges is evidence that the membership is increasing its interest in the activities for the better functioning of their respective lodges.

Your Committee wishes to commend the Grand Secretary for calling a meeting of the Secretaries of the Lodges in Greater Winnipeg. This meeting was very well attended, discussions were held and recommendations made, which we feel will be beneficial and instructive to the lodge Secretaries in dispensing their duties. We recommend that such a meeting should be held annually.

Your Committee is pleased to note that on June 10th and 11th, 1953 the Grand Secretary accompanied the Representative of the Grand Master to the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Alberta where he had the rank of Honorary Past Senior Grand Warden conferred on him. We extend our hearty congratulations on an honor well placed.

It is also noted that he attended the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan and also the Grand Lodge of Minnesota. He attended, with other delegates, the Thirteenth Annual Conference at Banff and (in company with the M.W. Grand Master) in February of this year, the Conference of Grand Lodge Secretaries of North America in Washington, D.C. He attended the M.W. Grand Master at every District meeting and on a number of occasions spoke to the brethren with respect to lodge By-laws and the make-up and operation of their Grand Lodge.

We join the Grand Secretary in humbly expressing our grateful thanks to the Most High for the restoration to good health and strength of our M.W. Grand Master.

We also concur in the Grand Secretary's appreciation of the co-operation and efficiency of Miss Margaret Anderson and W. Bro. M. G· McKenzie.

This Committee wishes to record its sincere appreciation for the splendid work performed by our Grand Secretary during the year. He has met the numerous problems with enthusiasm and courage, and those of us who have had the opportunity of working with him have been greatly impressed by his ability and courtesy.

Fraternally submitted,

J. REID GLENN
Chairman.

This report was presented by R.W. Bro. J. R. Glenn (144) who moved its adoption, seconded by R.W. Bro. J. Norquay (2). Carried.

GREETINGS FROM DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

M.W. Bro. Leroy E. Matson, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota in opening his remarks said that the brethren who come from Minnesota, have always enjoyed the hospitality of the brethren of Manitoba and the large delegation present this year bears out how much they appreciated this. Today, the most significant item in the world is the progress made in the control of the physical world, jet planes, television, radio and atomic power all bear this out. Unfortunately, we have not made corresponding progress in human relations. Our Craft comes into the picture as one Institution interested in the moral development of man and Freemasonry, a spiritual force to be used, which must be spread to other countries of the world. "Ritual is not enough," M.W. Bro. Matson stated, "our teachings must be practiced in our everyday living."

M.W. Bro. J. E. Patterson, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Montana remarked that we have had representatives of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba visit our Grand Lodge and really appreciated their attendance and now for the first time it is our privilege to visit Manitoba. We find some of your procedures are different to ours but we really have enjoyed your Communication. It is the human touch that counts in the world today and it is a wonderful thing to cross that imaginary line that separates our two countries to visit with one another.

M.W. Brother Ralph R. Twamley, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of South Dakota said it was a pleasure for him to be in attendance and bring greetings from his Grand Master, M.W. Brother Munch and the 30,000 Masons of South Dakota. He remarked that so much had been said during our Communication regarding the relationship between Freemasonry and the Church which co-incided with his own Grand Master's programme as, during his year in office, he has been urging the brethren of South Dakota to actively support the church of their choice.

M.W. Bro. Harold S. Pond, Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota remarked it was a pleasure to address the gathering as "my Brethren of Manitoba, as two years ago you honored me in making me an Honorary Past Grand Master of this Grand Lodge, an honor I appreciate possibly more than any other I have. Our Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Graham sends his regrets for his non-attendance but his physician has ordered him to stay home, and it is our earnest hope he will be well enough to preside at his own Grand Lodge to be held later this month. After many years of negotiations, completion of an agreement on the St. Lawrence Seaway project is one more evidence of our unification as citizens of two countries and as Freemasons, we must stand together against totalitarianism and dictatorship. As Master Masons our fears, our hopes and our cares are one—we must remember this and go forward together."

The Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray, said that just a year ago you showed what the power of prayer could do and I would at this moment ask the Acting Grand Chaplain R.W. Bro. R. Fletcher Argue to implore the blessing of the Most High on behalf of our fraternal brother, M.W. Brother Graham. R.W. Bro. Argue in his prayer asked the Great Architect of the Universe to hear and record our message so that in His infinite goodness He would restore M.W Brother Graham to good health.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Grand Secretary requested that all Grand Lodge Officers bring their regalia to the Evening Session so it would be available for the Installation of Officers.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4.25 p.m. to be reconvened at 8.00 o'clock in the evening.

THURSDAY, JUNE 3rd, 1954

Evening Session

The Grand Master, Grand Lodge Officers and Past Grand Masters entered the Grand Lodge Room in procession, the brethren singing the Processional Hymn "All People that on Earth do Dwell."

The Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray asked the Grand Director of Ceremonies to present at the Altar, Bro. Frederick G. Turner of Transcona Lodge No. 123. After this presentation had been effected the M.W. Grand Master announced that Bro. Turner was Initiated into Transcona Lodge in 1915, was first elected as Secretary in 1917 an Office he has since held continuously for 37 years. "It is fitting" M.W. Brother Gray commented, "that your lodge should recognize your worth and bring it to the attention of Grand Lodge." The M.W. Grand Master then read a Citation to Brother Turner and presented him with same at the end of the reading. He then ordered Grand Honors be accorded Bro. Turner after which the Grand Director of Ceremonies escorted Bro. Turner to his seat in Grand Lodge.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Credentials begs to report as follows: There are 113 Chartered Lodges on the Grand Lodge Register. 88 Lodges are represented by one or more of their three Principal Officers, 25 Lodges unrepresented, namely:

Birtle Lodge No. 39
Oak Lake Lodge No. 44
Russell Lodge No. 62
Composite Lodge No. 64
Napinka Lodge No. 77
Cypress Lodge No. 82
Robbie Burns Lodge No. 100
Miniota Lodge No. 102
Crescent Lodge No. 103
Strathclair Lodge No. 106
Lansdowne Lodge No. 107
Swan Lake Lodge No. 109
Ophir Lodge No. 112
Rivers Lodge No. 115
Strathcona Lodge No. 117
Mound Lodge No. 118
Favel Lodge No. 126
Victory Lodge No. 128
Harmony Lodge No. 142
Jubilee Lodge No. 147
The Dormer Lodge No. 151
Foxwarren Lodge No. 152
Carman Lodge No. 155
Rice Lake Lodge No. 157
Newdale Lodge No. 159

105 Lodges have one or more Past Masters present, and 8 have neither Past Master nor Officers present, namely:

Oak Lake Lodge No. 44
Napinka Lodge No. 77
Robbie Burns Lodge No. 100
Rivers Lodge No. 115
Mound Lodge No. 118
Harmony Lodge No. 142
Jubilee Lodge No. 147
Foxwarren Lodge No. 152

Past Masters	442	
Worshipful Masters	78	
Senior Wardens	55	
Junior Wardens	35	
		610
Registered:		
Master Masons		81
Visitors		31
Total		722

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. GRANT,
for the Chairman

This report was presented by R.W. Bro. J. C. Grant(3), who moved its adoption, seconded by R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat (139) and Carried.

No.	Lodge	W.M.	S.W.	J.W.	P.M.	Total
1	Prince Rupert's	..	1	..	7	8
2	Lisgar	1	..	..	5	6
3	Ancient Landmark	1	1	1	10	13
4	St. John's	1	1	1	17	20
6	Emerson	1	1	1	10	13
7	Assiniboine	1	1	..	10	12
8	King Solomon	1	1	..	4	6
10	Northern Light	1	..	1	9	11
11	Gladstone	1	1	1	6	9
12	Stonewall	1	1	..	9	11
13	Morden	1	1	..	5	7
14	Prince of Wales	1	1	..	3	5
15	Corinthian	1	..	1	1	3
19	Brandon	1	1	1	4	7
24	Neepawa	1	..	1	5	7
25	Ionic	1	1	..	7	9
27	Glenwood	1	1	..	3	5
29	Carberry	1	..	..	6	7
30	Manitou	..	1	..	2	3
36	Doric	1	..	..	3	4
39	Birtle	..	..	..	1	1
40	Deloraine	1	..	..	2	3
43	Lebanon	1	1	1	3	6
44	Oak Lake	..	..	..	..	..
48	Glenboro	1	1	1	1	4
49	Temple	1	1	1	6	9
50	Killarney	1	1	..	..	2
51	Treherne	..	1	1	7	9
52	Hartney	1	1	1	2	5
54	Oriental	1	1	..	3	5
55	East Star	1	..	..	6	7
62	Russell	..	..	..	1	1
63	Holland	1	..	..	1	2
64	Composite	..	..	..	2	2
67	Wawanesa	1	..	..	2	3
68	Vermillion	1	..	..	1	2
70	Shiloh	1	1	1	5	8
71	Crystal	1	1	..	4	6
74	Elkhorn	1	..	..	..	1
75	Gothic	1	..	..	6	7
77	Napinka	..	..	..	..	..
82	Cypress	..	..	..	3	3
84	Hamiota	1	1	..	1	3
86	Elgin	1	..	..	..	1
87	Rathwell	..	1	1	4	6
90	Midlothian	1	1	..	4	6
92	Shoal Lake	..	1	..	2	3
93	King Edward	1	1	1	10	13
94	Hiram	..	1	..	1	2
100	Robbie Burns	..	..	..	..	..
101	Binscarth	..	1	..	..	1
102	Miniota	..	..	..	1	1
103	Crescent	..	..	..	3	3
104	Reston	1	..	..	6	7
105	Prince Arthur	1	..	..	1	2
106	Strathclair	..	..	..	2	2
107	Lansdowne	..	..	..	3	3
108	Union	1	1	..	4	6

No.	Lodge	W.M.	S.W.	J.W.	P.M.	Total
109	Swan Lake	..	..	..	3	3
110	Kilwinning	1	1	1	1	4
111	Acacia	1	1	1	11	14
112	Ophir	..	..	..	3	3
113	Tweed	1	..	1	9	11
114	"The Assiniboine"	1	..	..	7	8
115	Rivers	..	..	..	..	..
116	St. Andrew's	1	1	..	4	6
117	Strathcona	..	..	..	2	2
118	Mound	..	..	..	..	..
119	Norwood	1	1	..	4	6
120	Penza	1	1	..	6	8
121	St. James	1	1	1	11	14
122	Roblin	1	..	..	1	2
123	Transcona	1	1	1	6	9
124	The Pas	1	..	..	..	1
125	Patricia	1	..	..	2	3
126	Favel	..	..	..	1	1
127	Empire	1	1	1	8	11
128	Victory	..	..	..	1	1
130	Fort Garry	1	..	..	10	11
131	Kildonan	1	..	..	6	7
132	Sprague	..	..	1	1	2
133	McCreary	1	1	1	2	5
134	Stony Mountain	1	1	..	3	5
136	Capitol	1	1	1	5	8
137	Lord Selkirk	1	..	..	4	5
138	Windsor	1	..	1	10	12
139	Beaver	1	1	1	9	12
140	Meridian	1	..	1	10	12
141	Tuscan	1	1	1	9	12
142	Harmony	..	..	..	..	..
143	Mt. Sinai	1	1	1	19	22
144	Fort Osborne	1	1	..	5	7
145	Sturgeon Creek	..	1	1	1	3
146	Fidelity	..	1	..	6	7
147	Jubilee	..	..	..	..	..
148	Seven Oaks	1	1	..	8	10
150	Cartwright	1	1	1	..	3
151	The Dormer	..	..	..	3	3
152	Foxwarren	..	..	..	..	..
153	Flin Flon	1	..	..	..	1
154	Pine Falls	1	1	1	2	5
155	Carman	..	..	..	4	4
156	Manitouwapa	1	1	..	4	6
157	Rice Lake	..	..	..	2	2
158	Fenwick	1	..	1	2	4
159	Newdale	..	..	..	3	3
160	Starbuck	1	1	..	1	3
161	Fort Prince of Wales	1	..	..	1	2
162	Ashlar	1	..	..	1	2
163	Charleswood	1	..	..	2	3
164	Harry Woods	1	..	..	2	3
165	Friendship	1	1	1	3	6
166	Woodworth	1	1	..	..	2
	Totals	78	55	35	442	610

REPORT OF THE SCRUTINEERS ON ELECTIONS

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Your Board of Scrutineers, appointed to conduct the election of Officers and eight members of the Board of General Purposes for a term of two years, also District Deputy Grand Masters for the several Masonic Districts, make report as follows:

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND MASTER, the name of John Robert Charles Evans was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF DEPUTY GRAND MASTER, the name of Robert Eric Emmett was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF SENIOR GRAND WARDEN, the name of J. Ferguson Irwin was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF JUNIOR GRAND WARDEN, two names were submitted in nomination, i.e., John Norquay and David Rothstein. The number of ballots cast was 592 of which 592 were valid. The necessary quota to elect was 297. Brother Rothstein received the necessary quota.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND TREASURER, the name of W. Percy White was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND SECRETARY, the name of Thomas C. Jackson was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND CHAPLAIN, the name of John Edward Cooper was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND HISTORIAN, the name of William Douglas was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND DIRECTOR OF CEREMONIES, two names were submitted in nomination, i.e., Charles A. Midwinter and Wesley D. G. Runions. The number of ballots cast was 590 of which 590 were valid. The necessary quota to elect was 296. Brother Runions received the necessary quota.

FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND LIBRARIAN, the name of Harry Bingham Donnelly was the only one submitted in nomination.

FOR THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES, for a two-year term, seventeen names were submitted in nomination, i.e.,

S. C. Bagley
A. D. Blair
F. C. Davey
A. E. Duff
M. Ferguson
E. M. Finkleman
G. M. Lardner
D. A. McKay
W. J. McGregor
J. P. Mowat
B. S. Parker
H. S. Perdue
G. W. Rattray
A. J. Sawatzky
W. M. Summers
J. A. Sundell
E. L. White

The number of ballots cast was 593 of which 590 were valid (3 spoiled). The necessary quota to elect was 66. The following named brethren received the necessary quota or an equivalent to elect.

F. C. Davey
A. E. Duff
E. M. Finkleman
W. J. McGregor
J. P. Mowat
B. S. Parker
H. S. Perdue
A. J. Sawatzky

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

In accordance with the provisions of the Constitution, the following brethren have been elected District Deputy Grand Master of the respective Districts as indicated. Their election has been confirmed by the Grand Master Elect.

FIRST MASONIC DISTRICT, Alexander Colvin Slessor.

SECOND MASONIC DISTRICT, Jack Adrian Davidson.

THIRD MASONIC DISTRICT, Myrton Mills.

FOURTH MASONIC DISTRICT, William James Breakey.

FIFTH MASONIC DISTRICT, Sherman Hilton Dayton.

SIXTH MASONIC DISTRICT, John Gordon Cobb.

SEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT, Frederick C. Courtice.

EIGHTH MASONIC DISTRICT, Herbert Ward Davison.

NINTH MASONIC DISTRICT, Allan Doak.

TENTH MASONIC DISTRICT, Harold Kersey Hutson.

TWELFTH MASONIC DISTRICT, Thomas Wilson.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

WM. DOUGLAS,
Chairman.

This report was presented by M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4) who moved its adoption, seconded by M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald (70). Carried.

The M.W. Grand Master then declared the several Officers of Grand Lodge and the members of the Board of General Purposes to be duly elected.

ADDRESS OF THE GRAND HISTORIAN

M.W. Brother Wm. Douglas

The M.W. Grand Master then called on the Grand Historian, who gave the following Address:

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:

We, as members of this ancient and honorable Craft are expected to exemplify in our lives and work, the attributes of good citizenship. In this connection it is of prime importance that we should seek to familiarize ourselves regarding the background of our inheritance. It is a good country in which we dwell and the privileges which are enjoyed by all law-abiding citizens did not just happen—they were created by and purchased for posterity at the price of personal sacrifice.

Here in Manitoba, we regard the Selkirk Settlers as the foundation builders of this great Province. I doubt very much if we pay proper respect to what they did for their adopted land. But that is a story of itself. Tonight, instead of turning our thoughts upon the accomplishments of these hardy pioneers, I want to speak on the subject of "Why the Selkirk Settlers left Scotland." It was indeed a tragic experience. However, these were the men and women who brought civilization and its attendant community services to the land where you and I make our homes and I am sure that a backward glance to the opening years of the nineteenth century will bring to us a fuller understanding of the type and character of the Settlers sent by Lord Selkirk to open up Red River Settlement in 1812 and the years immediately following.

The Rebellion of 1745 made an enormous difference to the Highland Clans. Previous to 1745 no clansman could be evicted from his home, as they were held by feudal right; while the land was the common property of the tribe or clan, and hence of no single individual. The affair of 1745 swept all feudal rights out of existence. The lands were then invested by "sheepskin" (deeds) in the loyal chiefs, landlords, successors of the rebels. The government knew it could control the landlords who held their lands from the Crown, but it could not control thousands of clansmen who held their lands by feudal right. The people felt they were wrongfully dispossessed of their lands, but being nominally rebels, for they were all classed alike, they could not resist. The common people have never admitted the legality of the Act, and to this day they claim the land as theirs, even though it may have passed by purchase to several owners.

The people of Sutherland had a double grievance. They took little or no part in the Rebellion. They looked upon the Earl as their father, into whose hands they had committed the keeping of their lands, as for mutual protection. He had merely to say the word and every man would rush to arms in protection of their common property. Now he had disowned them, thrown them out of their homes and razed them to the ground so as to prevent a re-entry. So terrible were the harsh scenes of these days that they were indelibly burned into the memories of the people. To make matters worse, many of the men whose homes were burned were at the time, fighting the battles of their country under Wellington.

The Sutherland Clearances were commenced in a comparatively mild way in 1807, by the ejection of ninety families from Farr and Lairg. They were provided for some fifteen or seventeen miles distant, with smaller lots to which they were permitted to remove their cattle and plenishing, leaving their crops unprotected. They had to pull down their old houses, remove the timber, and build new ones, during which period they had in many cases to sleep under the open canopy of heaven. In the autumn they carried away with great difficulty, what remained of their crops, but the fatigue incurred cost not a few lives, while others contracted diseases which stuck to them during the remainder of their lives, and shortened their days.

In 1809, several hundred were evicted from the parishes of Dornoch, Rogart, Clyne and Golspie under circumstances of much greater severity than those already described. Several were driven by various means to leave the country altogether, and to those who could not be induced to do so, patches of moor and bog were offered on Dornoch Moor and Brora Links, quite unfit for cultivation. This process of depopulation was carried on annually until, in 1811, the land from which the people were ejected, was divided into large farms.

The Sutherland Clearances consisted in the ejection, from their minutely divided farms of several hundreds of the Sutherlandshire aborigines, who, from time immemorial had been in possession of their mountain tenements. This sweeping desolation extended over many parishes, but it fell most heavily on the parish of Kildonan. The scheme of clearance was the device of William Young, a successful corn dealer and land improver. He had risen from indigence but was naturally a man of taste; of an ingenious turn of mind, and a shrewd calculator. After realizing a considerable sum of money by his corn dealing transactions, he purchased from Sir Archibald Dunbar of Thundertown, a small and valueless property in Morayshire called Inverugie. It lay upon the seashore, and like many properties of ancient date, had been completely covered with seasand which had drifted upon its surface. For this small and worthless spot he paid a correspondingly small price, but, tasking his native and vigorous genius for improvement, he set himself at once to better his bargain. Making use of a plough of peculiar construction he turned the sand down and the rich old soil up, and thus made it one of the most productive properties in the country. This, with other necessary improvements, however, involved him in debt; but just as it became a question with him, how to pay it, his praise in the North of Scotland as a scientific improver of land reached the ears of the Stafford family, who in connection with their immense wealth, were racked with the anxiety to improve their Highland estate. William Young, having been so successful on the estate at Inverugie, they thought he could not but be equally so on the Sutherland estate. Young introduced the depopulating system in Sutherlandshire. This system, during his tenure as Commissioner on the Sutherland property was just at its commencement. The whole north and south sides of the Strath, from Kildonan to Caen on the left bank of the river and from Dalcharn to Marrel on the right bank, were at one fell swoop, cleared of their inhabitants. The measures for the ejectment had been taken with such promptness and were so suddenly and brutally carried out, they excited a tumult among the people. Young had as his associate in the factorship, a man of the name Sellar, who acted in the subordinate capacity of legal agent and accountant on the Estate, and who, by his unprincipled recklessness in conducting the process of ejectment, added fuel to the flame. It was said that the people rose almost en masse, that the constables and officials were resisted and their lives threatened, and the combination among the peasantry was represented as assuming so alarming an aspect that the Sheriff-Depute of the County was under the necessity of calling in the military to quell the riot.

A detachment of soldiers was accordingly sent from Fort George, a powder magazine was erected at Dornoch, and every preparation made for the commencement of a civil war. But the chief magistrate of the County, shrewdly suspecting the origin of these reports, ordered back the military, came himself alone among the people, and instituted a cool and impartial enquiry into their alleged proceedings. The result was that the formidable riot, which was reported to have for its object the murder of Young and Sellar, the expulsion of the store-farmers, and the burning of Dunrobin Castle, amounted after all only to this—that a certain number of the people had congregated in different places and had given vent to their outraged feelings and sense of oppression in rash and unguarded terms. It could not be proven that a single act of violence was committed. Sellar labored hard to involve the Parish Minister, Rev. Alexander Sage and his wife, in the criminality of these proceedings, but utterly failed. The peasantry as fine as any in the world, were treated by the owners of the soil as "good for nothing but to be cast out and trodden under the feet of men."

The seventeen parish ministers with the single exception of Rev. Alexander Sage of Kildonan, took the side of the Sutherland family, exhorting the people to submit and to stifle their cries of distress, telling their congregations that all their sufferings came from the hand of the Heavenly Fathers as a punishment for their past transgressions. Through all this period of oppression, the clergy were assiduous in preaching that all the misfortunes of the people were "foreordained of God."

At the May term of 1812, large districts of the various parishes were cleared, the poor creatures foolishly believing the false teachings of their selfish and dishonest ministers. About this time, the Earl of Selkirk went personally to the district and encouraged many of the evicted tenantry to immigrate to Red River, where he had prepared a settlement. This was the year of the departure of the first party of actual settlers for "The great lone land."

An eye-witness to the scene of general devastation is our best evidence of the universal suffering endured by the people of Sutherlandshire through their days of dispersion. Among the cases which have been preserved in the annals of the district is that of Donald MacBeath, an infirm and bedridden old man, whose house was unroofed over him, and in that state, he was exposed to the wind and rain until death put an end to his sufferings. The same witness was present at the pulling down and burning of the house of William Chisholm, Badinloskin, in which was lying his wife's mother, an old bed-ridden woman of nearly one hundred years of age, none of the family being present. The circumstances were explained to the men about to set fire to the house and they were prevailed upon to wait until Mr. Sellar arrived. On his arrival, he was told the woman was not in a condition to be moved, but his reply came, "Damn her, the old witch, she has lived too long already, let her burn." Fire was immediately applied to the house and the blankets in which the old lady was carried out were in flames before she could be got out. Her friends placed her in a little shed, and it was with great difficulty the despoilers were prevented from setting fire to the shed also. The old woman's daughter arrived while the house was ablaze and assisted in removing her mother. Within five days the old lady died.

About a month after the Whitsunday term, 1815, the work of demolition and devastation commenced again, and on this occasion, parts of the parishes of Golspie, Rogart, Farr and the whole of Kildonan were in a blaze. Parties with faggots and other combustible material set to work with a will and three hundred houses were ruthlessly given to the flames; their occupants pushed out into the open spaces without food and with no shelter to cover themselves.

Donald Macleod, a native of Kildonan, described the scene from his personal experiences: "The consternation and confusion were extreme; little or no time was given for the removal of persons or property; the people striving to remove the sick and helpless before the fire should reach them, next struggling to the most valuable of their effects. The cries of the women and children, the roaring of the affrighted cattle, hunted at the same time by the yelling of the dogs of the shepherds, amid the smoke and fire, altogether presented a scene that completely baffles description. It required to be seen to be believed. A dense cloud of smoke enveloped the whole country by day, and even extended far out to sea; at night an awfully grand but terrific scene presented itself—all the houses in an extensive district in flames at once. I myself ascended a height about eleven o'clock in the evening, and counted two hundred and fifty blazing houses, many of the owners of which were my relations, and all of whom I personally knew, but whose present condition, whether in or out of the flames—I could not tell. The conflagration lasted six days, till the whole of the dwellings were reduced to ashes or smoking ruins. During one of these days a boat actually lost her way in the dense smoke as she approached the shore, but at night was enabled to reach a landing place by the lurid light of the flames."

"The whole of the inhabitants of Kildonan, numbering nearly 2,000 souls, except three families were utterly rooted and burned out and the whole parish converted into a solitary wilderness. All this was done in the name of the proprietors."

Rev. Donald Sage was the son of the Parish Minister of Kildonan. He was appointed in charge of the Mission at Achness early in 1816, and remained there until his immediate district was depopulated in 1819. The published record which he left is a convincing indictment of the persons responsible for driving the people of Sutherland from their native heath. His story not only corroborates but bears a marked similarity to that of Donald Macleod which had already been mentioned. This is what he wrote of his own time: "The reckless, lordly proprietors had resolved upon the expulsion of their long-standing and much attached tenantry from their widely extended estates, and the Sutherland Clearance of 1819 was not only the climax of their oppression for many years, but the extinction of the last remnant of the ancient Highland peasantry in the north. As violent tempests send out before them many a deep and sullen roar, so did the advancing storm give notice of its approach by various single acts of oppression. I can yet recall to memory the deep and thrilling sensation I experienced, as I sat at my rude little parlor at Achness, when the tidings of the meditated removal of my poor flock first reached me from headquarters.

"It might be about the beginning of October, 1818. A tenant from the middle of the Strath had been to Rhives, the residence of Mr. Young the Commissioner, paying his rent. He was informed, and authorized to tell his neighbors that the rent for the half-year ending in March 1819, would not be demanded, as it was determined to lay the districts of Strathnaver and Upper Kildonan under sheep. Notwithstanding their knowledge of former clearances, they clung to the hope that the Duchess of Sutherland would not give her consent to the warning as issued by her subordinates, and thus deprive herself of her people, as truly a part of her noble inheritance as were her broad acres. But the course of a few weeks soon undeceived them. Summonses of ejectment were issued and despatched all over the District. These must have amounted to upwards of a thousand, as the populations of the Mission alone was 1,600 souls, and many more than those of the Mission were ejected.

"The summonses were distributed with the utmost preciseness. They were handed in at every house and hovel alike, be the occupiers of them who or what they might—minister, cathechist, or elder, tenant, sub-tenant, outservant or cottar—all were made to feel the irresponsible power of the proprietor. The enormous amount of citations might also be accounted for by the fact that Mr. Peter Sellar had a three-fold interest in the whole matter. He was in the first place, factor on the Sutherland estate at the time; he was law-agent for the proprietors; and lastly, the lessee or tacksman of more than a third of the country to be cleared of its inhabitants. It may easily be conceived how much a three-tied cord of worldly interest would bind him over to greater rigour, and even atrocity in executing the orders of his superiors on the wretched people among whom he was thus let loose like a beast of prey. But the effects produced by these decided measures I distinctly remember. Having myself, in common with the rest of the people, received one of these notices, I resolved that at the ensuing term of Martinmas, I would remove from Achness and go once more permanently to reside under my father's roof (Kildonan Manse), although I would at the same time continue the punctual discharge of my pastoral duties among the people till they also had been removed. I could not but regard the summoning of the minister as tantamount to the putting down of the ministration of the Word and Ordinances of religion in that part of the country, and indeed, it is a fact that although this desolate district is still occupied by the shepherds, no provision has, since that time been made for their spiritual wants. I left Achness about the middle of November 1818.

"The people received the legal warning to leave for ever the homes of their fathers with a sort of stupor—that apparent indifference which is so often the external aspect of intense feeling. As they began, however, to awaken from the stunning effects of this first intimation, their feelings found vent, and I was much struck with the different ways in which they expressed their sentiments. The truly pious acknowledged the hand of God in the matter. In their prayers and religious conferences not a solitary expression could be heard indicative of anger or vindictiveness, but in the sight of God they humbled themselves and received the chastisement at His hand. Those, however, who were strangers to such exalted and ennobling impressions of the Gospel breathed deep and muttered curses on the heads of the persons who subjected them to such treatment. The more reckless portion of them fully realized the character of the impenitent in all ages, and indulged in the most culpable excesses, even while this Divine punishment was still suspended over them. These last, however, were few in number—not more than a dozen. To my poor and defenceless flock, the dark hour of trial came at last in right earnest. It was in the month of April, and about the middle of it, that they were all, man, woman and child, from the heights of Farr to the mouth of the Naver, one day, to quit their tenements and go—many of them knew not whither. On the day of removal, they were not allowed to remain, even on the bleakest moor, and in the open air, for a distance of twenty miles around.

"The middle of the week brought on the day of the Strathnaver Clearance, (1819). It was Tuesday—at an early hour of that day, Mr. Sellar, accompanied by the Fiscal, and escorted by a strong body of constables, sheriff-officers and others, commenced work at Grummore, the first inhabited township to the west of the Achness district. Their plan of operations was to clear the cottages of their inmates, giving them about half an hour to pack up and carry off their furniture, and then set fire to the cottages. To this plan they ruthlessly adhered, without the slightest regard to any obstacles that might arise while carrying it into execution. At Grumbeg lived a soldier's widow, Henny Munro. She had followed her husband in all his campaigns, marches and battles, in Sicily and Spain. Whether his death was on the field of battle, or the result of fever and fatigue, I forget; but his faithful help-meet attended him in his last hour, and when his spirit fled, closed his eyes, and followed his remains to their last resting place. After his death she returned to Grumbeg, the place of her nativity, and as she was utterly destitute of any means of support, she was affectionately received by her friends, who built her a small cottage and gave her a cow and grass for it. The din of arms, orders and counter-orders from head-quarters, marchings and counter-marchings and pitched battles, retreats and advances, were the leading and nearly unceasing subject of her winter evening conversations. She was a joyous, cheery old creature; so inoffensive, moreover and so contented, and brimful of good-will that all who could get acquainted with old Henny Munro could only desire to do her a good turn, were it merely for the warm and hearty expressions of gratitude with which it was received. Surely the factor and his followers did not personally know old Henny, or they could not have treated her as they did. After the cottages at Grummore were emptied of their inmates, and roofs and rafters had been lighted up into one red blaze, Mr. Sellar and his ironhearted attendants approached the residence of the soldier's widow. Henny stood up to plead for her furniture—the coarsest and most valueless that well could be, but still her earthly all. She first asked that, as her neighbors were so occupied with their own furniture, hers might be allowed to remain till they should be free to remove it for her. This request was refused. She then besought them to allow a shepherd, who was present and offered his services for that purpose, to remove the furniture to his own residence on the opposite shore of the loch, to remain there till she could carry it away. This was also refused, and she was told with an oath, that if she did not take her trumpery off within half-an-hour it would be burned. The poor widow had only to task the remains of her bodily strength, and address herself to the work of dragging her chests, beds, presses and stools out at the door, placing them at the gable of her cottage. No sooner was her task accomplished than the torch was applied, the widow's hut, built of very combustible material, speedily ignited, and there rose up rapidly, first a dense cloud of smoke, and soon thereafter a bright red flame. The wind unfortunately blew in the direction of the furniture, and the flame lighting upon it, speedily reduced it to ashes.

"In their progress down the Strath, Ceạn-na-coille was the next township reached by the fire-raising evictors. An aged widow lived there, who by infirmity, had been reduced to such a state of bodily weakness that she could neither walk nor lie in bed. She could only, night and day, sit in her chair; and having been confined for many years in that posture, her limbs had become so stiff that any attempt to move her was attended with acute pain. She was the mother-in-law of Samuel Matheson and had, with her family, been removed by Mr. Sellar from Rhimisdale some time before. His treatment of her and others on that occasion had brought Mr. Sellar into trouble, but now, in the Providence of God, she was once more in his power. 'The good wife of Rhimisdale' as she was called, was much revered. In her house I have held diets of cathechising and meetings for prayer, and been signally refreshed by her Christian converse. When the evicting party began their operations in her township, the aged widow's house was among the very first that was to be consigned to the flames.

"During these proceedings," Mr. Sage recorded, "I was resident at the manse at Kildonan, but I had the occasion on the week immediately ensuing to visit the manse at Tongue. On my way thither, I passed through the scene of the campaign of burning. The spectacle presented was hideous and ghastly. The banks of the lake and the river, formerly studded with cottages, now met the eye as a scene of desolation. Of all the houses, the thatched roofs were gone, but the walls, built of alternate layers of turf and stone remained. The flames of the preceding week still slumbered in their ruins and sent up into the air spiral columns of smoke, and then a dusky flame slowly sprang up. The sooty rafters of the cottages, as they were consumed, filled the air with a heavy and most offensive odor."

Between the years 1811 and 1820, fifteen thousand inhabitants in this part of Sutherlandshire were ejected from their snug little farm-homes, by means for which we would in vain seek a precedent, and all to make the land over to the business of raising sheep.

What became of the dispersed? The less adventurous and poorest of them slipped away to follow the occupation of unskilled laborers; others who had never had any experience of life on the sea-coast, were compelled to settle in a barren and unfruitful district by the sea, while those who visioned the possibility of independence, joined the movement instituted by the Earl of Selkirk and travelled across the Ocean, thence through Hudson's Bay, to find habitation on the banks of the Red River. They were the founders of the Province of Manitoba. Here they cleared and developed the land to agriculture; they cherished the Gaelic language which was their mother tongue, and valiantly subdued the wilderness. The task was difficult. Harassed by the pestilence of fever; impoverished by the continued visitation of grasshopper plagues; devastated by floods, twice in twenty-five years; dispossessed in 1815 and again in 1816; every vestige of a settlement destroyed by unsympathetic fur-traders; these were but a part of the experience of our first pioneers. Beset by these and other vicissitudes, they never gave up hope and by their indomitable courage, they succeeded in overcoming every obstacle.

It is fitting that we should pay tribute to the founders of this great land. Theirs was a great experience.

WILLIAM DOUGLAS,
Grand Historian.

Hearty applause at the conclusion, showed how much the brethren had appreciated this splendid historical Address. M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni (7) very ably expressed the thanks of the Brethren who had listened with such keen interest to another of the very fine Addresses given by M.W. Bro. Douglas.

PRESENTATION OF FIFTY-YEAR JEWEL

M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas

The Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray called on M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence (25) to present to M.W. Bro.

Wm. Douglas a Fifty-year Jewel. M.W. Bro. Douglas was Initiated on March 17th, 1904, and later that year left his native Scotland and in September 1904, affiliated with St. John's Lodge No. 4 in Winnipeg. So keen was his interest in Freemasonry that his worth was recognized by the brethren of his Lodge and in 1910 he was elected Worshipful Master. In 1925, just 21 years after he was Initiated, the brethren of Manitoba accorded him the highest honor it could possibly confer, when he was elected M.W. Grand Master of this Grand Lodge. M.W. Bro. Lawrence said, "the recipient of this Jewel richly deserves it because of his qualities of heart and mind, but the Jewel is far more than a symbol of Fifty years membership—it is a physical token of admiration and respect of your brethren in Manitoba."

M.W. Bro. Douglas in acknowledging the presentation, remarked that he knew the Jewel was a visible emblem of the passing of time—"The passing of time brings memories of Masonic brethren and friends and how much greater to me than the jewel, are the happy memories brought to me at this time."

PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES

The Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray asked the Past District Deputy Grand Masters, the Elected and Appointed Officers to approach the Grand East, where he presented them with their Past Rank Certificates. To all, the Grand Master expressed his most sincere and grateful thanks for the faithful manner in which they had performed their duties, and the support given him during the past year.

RESOLUTIONS OF THANKS

The following Resolutions of thanks were moved by M.W. Bro. C. E. Cole (7), seconded by W. Bro. I. Zipursky (143) and carried.

To Brothers James Reay and John Reay, the Pipers;

To the Officer Commanding the Royal Canadian Mounted Police for giving permission, and to Bro. Sgt. Major J. E. Primrose and the members of the Force who performed the excellent Flag Ceremony for us.

To the Management of the Fort Garry Hotel for the arrangements they made for our Grand Lodge Sessions, and to the Staff for the ready assistance and help at all times.

To all those who assisted in making our Grand Lodge Communication the success it proved to be.

And that a letter, signed by our present Grand Master, be forwarded to all concerned, expressing our appreciation.

INSTALLATION CEREMONIES

The Grand Master, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray asked M.W. Brother Maurice S. Donovan (158), Grand Installing Officer, to assume the gavel.

M.W. Bro Donovan with the assistance of the Grand Director of Ceremonies, R.W. Bro. D. Rothstein (141) and also, R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat (139) then installed the Grand Lodge Officers in their respective stations.

At the conclusion of Installation, M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray said his last Official Act was to thank M.W. Brother Donovan for the very fine and impressive manner in which this Ceremony had been completed.

Speaking on behalf of the newly-elected Officers, the Junior Grand Warden, R.W. Bro. David Rothstein pledged support to the M.W. Grand Master and expressed the hope that the Grand Architect of the Universe would give them all strength to fulfil their duties.

PRESENTATIONS

On behalf of Grand Lodge, M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray (141) presented the Grand Master, M.W. Brother John R. C. Evans with the Grand Master's Apron, and wished him a happy and successful year. In acknowledging this presentation, M.W. Brother Evans said he was grateful of the confidence placed in him, and he would endeavor to wear the Apron with dignity, and, whatever capabilities he may have would be used in the interests of Freemasonry in this Grand Jurisdiction; he would like the ensuing year to be one of great Masonic activity but requested the support of all present, as results could only be achieved with that help.

M.W. Brother Gray was then asked to rise and he received from the M.W. Grand Master on behalf of Grand Lodge, a Past Grand Master's Jewel. M.W. Brother Evans remarked, "I am delighted to have this privilege, which a year ago, did not seem possible. You are now restored to good health but there was an interval when you did not shirk your responsibilities when it would have been very easy to do so. You completed your duties in a way which only a nobleman of Nature, like yourself, could do, and I present this Jewel with a great deal of pride and hope that long may you be spared to wear it."

W. Bro. S. H. Allen, Worshipful Master of Tuscan Lodge No. 141 approached the Grand East and on behalf of the brethren of Tuscan Lodge presented to M.W. Brother Harry H. Gray an undress Past Grand Master's Apron as a mark of their appreciation for all his efforts, not only to Tuscan Lodge No. 141 but to our entire Jurisdiction.

M.W. Brother Gray thanked W. Bro. Allen for this lovely gift but said he hoped to be able to express his thanks more adequately at a meeting of his own Lodge, Tuscan No. 141.

The brethren united in the singing of the closing hymn, "Guide me O Thou Great Jehovah."

The business of this Seventy-ninth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons having been completed, the Acting Grand Chaplain, R.W. Bro. R. Fletcher Argue led the brethren in prayer and Grand Lodge was closed in Ample Form at 11.20 p.m. by the Grand Master, M.W. Brother John R. C. Evans.

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Grand Secretary.

FORM OF BEQUEST FOR THE BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA

The following form of Bequest may be used by any Brother desiring to bequeath any sum for the benefit of the Benevolent Endowment Fund of Grand Lodge:

"I, give unto my Executor or Executors the sum of .... ($............) upon trust to pay the same to the Grand Secretary for the time being, of the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Manitoba, for the purposes and benefit of the Benevolent Endowment Fund of the said Grand Lodge, and I declare that the receipt for such sum of the said Grand Secretary shall be an absolute discharge for such payment.

....Signed."

The Lodge Secretary will bring this to the attention of the brethren either at the Lodge Meeting or in the Monthly Notice.

BEQUESTS MADE TO THE BENEVOLENT ENDOWMENT FUND OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA, A.F. & A.M.

To date, the following bequests made by members of the Craft have been received by the Benevolent Endowment Fund:

1952—Estate of the late W.Bro. Andrew Brown....	$18,751.63
1953—Estate of the late W.Bro. Andrew Brown....	729.17
1953—Estate of the late Bro. Wm. Boyd..............	500.00
	$19,980.80

GRAND LODGE LIBRARY

Brethren are reminded of the facilities offered by the Grand Lodge Library for increasing their Masonic Knowledge. Travelling sets of books, specially arranged for the use of country Lodges, are available, and individual country members can have books posted to them.

Full particulars may be obtained from the Grand Librarian, Masonic Temple, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

GRAND LODGE OFFICERS ELECTED AND APPOINTED FOR 1954-55

Grand Master	M.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans (113)	Brandon
Deputy Grand Master	R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett (121)	St. James
Senior Grand Warden	R.W. Bro. J. F. Irwin (24)	Neepawa
Junior Grand Warden	R.W. Bro. D. Rothstein (141)	Winnipeg
Grand Treasurer	R.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4)	Winnipeg
Grand Secretary	M.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson (3)	Winnipeg
Grand Chaplain	R.W. Bro. J. E. Cooper (109)	Portage la Prairie
Grand Historian	M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4)	Winnipeg
G.D. of Ceremonies	R.W. Bro. W. D. G. Runions (130)	Winnipeg
Grand Librarian	M.W. Bro. H. B. Donnelly (138)	St. Vital
Senior Grand Deacon	V.W. Bro. J. M. Donovan (113)	Brandon
Junior Grand Deacon	V.W. Bro. E. A. Winkler (43)	Virden
Senior Grand Steward	V.W. Bro. J. D. Houston (36)	Boissevain
Junior Grand Steward	V.W. Bro. S. Sorenson (11)	Gladstone
Grand Organist	V.W. Bro. C. R. Beswatherick (62)	Russell
Grand Pursuivant	V.W. Bro. Geo. Milne (148)	West Kildonan
Grand Tyler	V.W. Bro. R. D. Saunders (117)	Belmont

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

1st Masonic District	R.W. Bro. A. C. Slessor (111)	Winnipeg
2nd Masonic District	R.W. Bro. J. A. Davidson (24)	Neepawa
3rd Masonic District	R.W. Bro. Myrton Mills (160)	Starbuck
4th Masonic District	R.W. Bro. W. J. Breakey (13)	Morden
5th Masonic District	R.W. Bro. S. H. Dayton (159)	Newdale
6th Masonic District	R.W. Bro. J. G. Cobb (54)	Melita
7th Masonic District	R.W. Bro. F. C. Courtice (19)	Brandon
8th Masonic District	R.W. Bro. H. W. Davison (120)	Greenridge
9th Masonic District	R.W. Bro. Allan Doak (94)	Grandview
10th Masonic District	R.W. Bro. H. K. Hutson (12)	Stonewall
12th Masonic District	R.W. Bro. Thos. Wilson (136)	Norwood

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

PRESIDENT

R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett (121), Deputy Grand Master..........St. James

VICE-PRESIDENT

R.W. Bro. J. F. Irwin (24), Senior Grand Warden..........Neepawa

BY VIRTUE OF OFFICE

M.W. Bro. E. T. Greenway (71) Past Grand Master	Crystal City
M.W. Bro. A. J. Hatcher (19) Past Grand Master	Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. J. S. MacEwing (51) Past Grand Master	Treherne
M.W. Bro. A. L. Crossin (10) Past Grand Master	Fort Garry
M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas (4) Past Grand Master	Winnipeg

M.W. Bro. N. J. Black (3) Past Grand Master	Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. D. S. Woods (90) Past Grand Master	St. Norbert
M.W. Bro. R. Hawkins (68) Past Grand Master	Dauphin
M.W. Bro. W. D. Lawrence (25) Past Grand Master	Winnipeg
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M.W. Bro. W. C. McDonald (70) Past Grand Master	Roland
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M.W. Bro. F. H. Blythe (93) Past Grand Master	Winnipeg
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M.W. Bro. H. H. Gray (141) Immediate Past Grand Master	Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. J. R. C. Evans (113) Grand Master	Brandon
R.W. Bro. D. Rothstein (141) Junior Grand Warden	Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. W. Percy White (4) Grand Treasurer	Winnipeg
M.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson (3) Grand Secty. & Hon. P.G.M.	Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. J. E. Cooper (109) Grand Chaplain	Portage la Prairie
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M.W. Bro. H. W. Gill (G.R., N.D.) Hon. P.G.M.	Bismarck
M.W. Bro. C. C. Colton (G.R. Minn.) Hon. P.G.M.	Duluth
M.W. Bro. R. W. Stanford (G.R. Minn.) Hon. P.G.M.	Willmar
M.W. Bro. W. P. Sturtz (G.R. Minn.) Hon. P.G.M.	Albert Lea
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M.W. Bro. Geo. Moore (G.R. Alta.) Hon. P.G.M.	Kelowna
M.W. Bro. G. F. Ellis (G.R. Alta.) Hon. P.G.M.	Calgary
M.W. Bro. Sam'l. Harris (G.R. Alta.) Hon. P.G.M.	High Prairie
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M.W. Bro. C. M. Pollock (G.R. N.D.) Hon. P.G.M.	Fargo
M.W. Bro. J. A. Stormon (G.R. N.D.) Hon. P.G.M.	Rolla
M.W. Bro. W. B. Tate (G.R. Sask.) Hon. P.G.M.	Regina
M.W. Bro. W. J. Dunlop (G.R. Can. in Ont.) Hon. P.G.M.	Toronto
M.W. Bro. R. R. Twamley (G.R. S.D.) Hon. P.G.M.	White Lake
M.W. Bro. H. S. Pond (G.R. N.D.) Hon. P.G.M.	Fargo
M.W. Bro. C. L. Jacobson (G.R. Minn.) Hon. P.G.M.	Minneapolis
M.W. Bro. E. J. Franta (G.R. N.D.) Hon. P.G.M.	Langdon
M.W. Bro. G. W. Christie (G.R. Minn.) Hon. P.G.M.	Red Lake Falls
M.W. Bro. R. A. Tate (G.R. Sask.) Hon. D.G.M.	Regina
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R.W. Bro. F. C. Courtice (19) D.D.G.M. 7th Masonic District	Brandon
R.W. Bro. H. W. Davison (120) D.D.G.M. 8th Masonic Dist.	Greenridge
R.W. Bro. Allan Doak (94) D.D.G.M. 9th Masonic District	Grandview
R.W. Bro. H. K. Hutson (12) D.D.G.M. 10th Masonic District	Stonewall
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For a Two-Year Term

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R.W. Bro. K. R. Kennedy (4)	Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. M. E. MacKinnon (49)	MacGregor
R.W. Bro. G. V. Henderson (106)	Strathclair
R.W. Bro. C. A. Midwinter (111)	Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. W. A. Prugh (113)	Brandon
V.W. Bro. Nathan Rothstein (141)	Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. J. R. Glenn (144)	Winnipeg

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W. Bro. B. S. Parker (4)	Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. A. J. Sawatzky (8)	Morris
R.W. Bro. W. J. McGregor (11)	Gladstone
R.W. Bro. F. C. Davey (93)	Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. H. S. Perdue (113)	Brandon
R.W. Bro. A. E. Duff (130)	Winnipeg
R.W. Bro. J. P. Mowat (139)	Winnipeg
W. Bro. E. M. Finkleman (143)	Winnipeg

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FIRST MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit a report of my activities as your Representative in the First Masonic District of Manitoba for the year 1953-1954.

The First District, at a meeting held in June, 1953, re-elected V.W. Bro. David Mitchell of Northern Light Lodge No. 10 as District Treasurer. W. Bro. Stuart Parker of St. John's Lodge No. 4 subsequently was appointed Secretary and W. Bro. David Hanna was appointed Chaplain. The District Officers gave unstintingly of their time. They all were present on every official visit and at the meetings with the officers of the lodges of the First Masonic District.

The brethren of the First Masonic District were disappointed that you, Most Worshipful Sir, were not able to be installed as Grand Master at the regular Communication of Grand Lodge. Their solicitude for your health was evidenced by the many enquiries made by brethren in all lodges in the District. It was with satisfaction that they learned of your steady recovery and of your Installation on August 19, 1953, as Most Worshipful Grand Master.

Two meetings were held with the Masters', Wardens and Secretaries of the lodges for discussion of our problems and for the purpose of outlining our programme. The first meeting was held in September 1953, and the second in January 1954. These meetings were well attended and I believe beneficial to all. It is my opinion that meetings with the senior officers of the lodges not only afforded the opportunity of discussing problems and of outlining plans, but they are valuable in helping to clear up misunderstandings that develop from time to time.

My official visits to the lodges were as follows:

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October 6	"The Assiniboine" No. 114
October 8	Norwood No. 119
October 14	St. James No. 121
October 19	Empire No. 127
October 22	King Edward No. 93

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January 6	St. John's No. 4
January 13	Acacia No. 111
January 18	Ancient Landmark No. 3
February 1	Ionic No. 25
February 16	Prince Rupert's No. 1
February 18	Northern Light No. 10
March 2	Ashlar No. 162
March 4	Friendship No. 165

It was my privilege at each meeting to deliver a short talk on some Masonic topic. I also made one or more unofficial visits to the lodges for the purpose of witnessing degree work. The exemplification of degree work is well done. We have a group of young officers in all lodges who are showing interest in the office to which they were installed. The degree work which I saw has convinced me that all lodges are holding regular rehearsals and are earnestly trying to exemplify the degrees in the manner and with the sincerity intended by the Custodians of "The Work." Slight variations in the manner of doing the degree may occur but these variations tend to keep interest and in no way take away from the intention of the degree. The primary purpose of all lodges is to make good Masons and I believe the lodges of the First District are keeping this object in view and all are trying to do just that.

The District Meeting was held in the Masonic Temple on Monday, the 30th of November, 1953. We had the pleasure of having the presence of yourself and a large number of Grand Lodge officers on that occasion. Your remarks and the remarks of the other Grand Lodge officers were appreciated and enjoyed by all present.

The District Meeting was well attended by Masters, Wardens, other lodge officers, Past Masters, and Master Masons. Lively discussion took place and it is my opinion that the meeting was successful.

The District Secretary, W. Bro. Stuart Parker, prepared and read a summary of the reports from the lodges.

Only one name for the Office of District Deputy Grand Master for the Firt Masonic District, for the year 1954-55, was placed in nomination—that of W. Bro. Alex Slessor, of Acacia Lodge No. 111. He was declared elected subject to confirmation by Grand Master.

M.W. Bro. McMorran, I.P.G.M., in a fitting manner, thanked R.W. Bro. Russell Campbell for the excellence of his work as his representative in the First District for the year 1952-53, and presented him with the Apron, Collar, and Jewel of a P.D.D.G.M. R.W. Bro. Campbell replied in a suitable manner.

I was able to accept your invitation to accompany your representative, M.W. Bro. Blythe, on his visits to Fort Prince of Wales, Flin Flon, and The Pas Lodges. We had an interesting trip and it was enjoyed by all. I also had the pleasure of accompanying you on your visits to the district meetings at McCreary, Morris, and the Twelfth District in Winnipeg, as well as to several lodge visits and Area meetings.

I have been invited to and have attended, as your Representative, many social functions given by lodges of the First District. At all of these functions, as well as at all lodge meetings, when attending as your representative, I was asked to convey to you a pledge of the loyal support of the brethren present.

The District Church Service was held on April 25th at the Crescent Fort Rouge United Church. The Rev. George Dyker, of St. John's Lodge No. 4, gave an interesting and inspiring Address. We were honored to have you and other Grand Lodge officers with us on that occasion.

Your efforts to establish a Masonic Brotherhood Disaster Fund are appreciated. The response to this appeal has not been as good as it should have been when considered from the number of members contributing, but has been very encouraging when considered by the average of the contributions from those contributing.

Friendship Lodge, in the Municipality of Fort Garry, which had been Under Dispensation, was Consecrated and Constituted by the Most Worshipful Grand Master at an interesting ceremony in September, 1953. There was a large number of Masons representing many lodges through the Grand Jurisdiction, present. The Grand Master's remarks were appreciated and enjoyed by all.

This new lodge has an excellent slate of Officers. It is making rapid progress and will, I feel sure, prove to be an asset to Masonry in this area.

I must, Most Worshipful Sir, express my thanks to the Masters and officers of the First Masonic District for the loyal support given me on my official visits. The average attendance of members accompanying me was 26.77. My task was made easier and much more pleasant from the support and encouragement given me. To the district officers I must also express my thanks. Every district officer was present on each and every official visit, at both meetings with district officers and the Church Service. It is not often one can report a 100% attendance of district officers and I am honored by being able to do so. Not only were the district officers present but they were always ready and willing to accept any assignment and carry out any request made to them. To R.W. Bro. Campbell, I.P.D.D.G.M., I extend my gratitude and thanks for his support and advice.

His loyalty in attending the meetings is appreciated. It is a personal regret to me that W. Bro. A. E. Boyle was unable, because of illness, to attend as much as he would have liked. We missed W. Bro. Boyle and I feel sure it is the earnest hope of all in the District that Ned will fully recover his health.

Finally, I wish to express my thanks to the brethren of the First Masonic District for honoring me in electing me as your District Deputy Grand Master. The friendships I have formed will long be remembered and will ever be a source of comfort and pleasure.

I must express my thanks to you for your many courtesies and help, to the Grand Secretary and to other Grand Lodge officers for their assistance. The Grand Librarian was most liberal with his time and advice. Whenever I went to him for material for my talks I never came away empty handed.

Fraternally submitted,

A. A. MACDONALD
D.D.G.M. First Masonic District.

SECOND MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worhipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

My term of Office as your Representative of the Second Masonic District for 1953-54 being about to expire I submit my report on the condition of Freemasonry within this area.

Lodges officially visited were as follows:

Gothic Lodge No. 75, Austin	July 8, 1953
Gladstone Lodge No. 11, Gladstone	July 13, 1953
Union Lodge No. 108, Brookdale	July 16, 1953
St. Andrew's Lodge No. 116, Wellwood	August 3, 1953
Carberry Lodge No. 29, Carberry	September 22, 1953
Neepawa Lodge No. 24, Neepawa	October 13, 1953
Assiniboine Lodge No. 7, Portage la Prairie	October 19, 1953
Temple Lodge No. 49, MacGregor	November 17, 1953
McCreary Lodge No. 133, McCreary	February 10, 1954

Throughout the District most favorable Masonic progress exists. Enthusiasm for Masonic practise is apparent. The members are attending meetings more regularly and in greater numbers. Harmony and friendliness are general. Degree work well presented was witnessed at all official visits except two. Secretarial records are properly prepared. Finances in all Lodges are very sound and audited. Lodge Halls are being redecorated and at MacGregor a fine new commodious Lodge Hall has been built. A gratifying increase in new members is noted. The over-all picture reveals a most progressive and healthy condition.

Our District Meeting was attended by 135 brethren in spite of existing bad weather. It is the desire of those present Most Worshipful Sir, that I express their thanks and appreciation to you and your Suite for your kindly participation in our Programme. Your Address and those of M.W. Bro. S. H. Fahrni, M.W. Bro. C. E. Cole, Grand Secretary R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson and R.W. Bro. W. G. Pollock of Neepawa, contributed much to the success and enjoyment of that Meeting.

R.W. Bro. W. J. McGregor presented Regalia to retiring District Deputy Grand Master R.W. Bro. H.A. Lye and paid high tribute to the excellent service he had rendered the District. R.W. Bro. Lye ably responded.

I would like to record my thanks for the kindly assistance you have given me Most Worshipful Master, also to Grand Secretary R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson, District Secretary R.W. Bro. T. E. Squire, the brethren of McCreary Lodge No. 133 and the Craft as a whole in the Second Masonic District who have contributed so much to make my Office one that I now reluctantly relinquish.

Fraternally submitted,

BENJAMIN ANGUS
D.D.G.M. Second Masonic District.

THIRD MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba,
A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration and approval my report of activities as your Representative in the Third Masonic District for the year 1953-1954.

It has been a pleasure and an honor to represent you and I should like at this time to thank all the brethren of the Third Masonic District for the great honor they have conferred on me and you Most Worshipful Sir, for confirming that election.

My first act on becoming your District Deputy Grand Master was to appoint W. Bro.W. R. Manning District Secretary and Bro. Rev. M.G. Pippy District Chaplain.

On June 22nd in company with several brethren from the several Lodges, I visited Cypress Lodge No. 82 on the occasion of their Fiftieth Anniversary. On August 19th, along with a few brethren I motored to Winnipeg to witness the Installation of our Grand Master, in the Masonic Temple.

With the assistance of my own Lodge and various brethren from neighboring Lodges, arrangements were made for our District Meeting. It was held at Holland on October 15th, and was well attended by all lodges in the District. Following the opening of the afternoon meeting, the District Secretary W. Bro. W. R. Manning as requested, compiled and read a report of the activities of all lodges in the District. The contributions to this report were I think a tribute to all the Secretaries in the District. "News and Reviews of Grand Lodge," by the Most Worshipful Grand Master Harry Gray, was well received and appreciated. The question and answer period conducted by R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett was a source of inspiration to all brethren present. V.W. Bro. Myrton Mills, of Starbuck Lodge No. 160, was unanimously elected to be District Deputy Grand Master for the year 1954-1955 subject to the approval of the Grand Master.

At the close of the afternoon session the brethren assembled in the Community Hall for a banquet capably prepared by the Anglican and United Church ladies.

On returning to the Lodge room it was my great privilege to officially receive the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray and suite. Following a few remarks from our Grand Master we called on M.W. Bro. Walter C. McDonald who delivered an inspiring Address.

The dates of my official visits were as follows:

Strathcona Lodge No. 117	October 27, 1953
Glenboro Lodge No. 48	November 10, 1953
Wawanesa Lodge No. 67	November 16, 1953
Swan Lake Lodge No. 109	November 18, 1953
Treherne Lodge No. 51	November 20, 1953
Cypress Lodge No. 82	November 23, 1953
Starbuck Lodge No. 160	November 26, 1953
Rathwell Lodge No. 87	December 1, 1953
Crescent Lodge No. 103	December 2, 1953
Holland Lodge No. 63	December 9, 1953

On the occasion of all my visits I was accompanied by brethren of my own Lodge and of neighboring lodges for which support I wish to express my thanks and appreciation.

During the month of February I again visited all lodges in the District and have visited a few of them three and four times. With the exception of two, I have witnessed degree work in all the lodges in the District. This work in my opinion was very well exemplified.

On March 15, of this year, with several brethren I visited Wawanesa Lodge No. 67 and had the pleasure of witnessing the presentation of a fifty year Jewel to W. Bro. Ira Mayhew by Past Grand Master M.W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran.

On March 30, Crescent Lodge No. 103 dedicated their new Lodge Hall—truly a great credit to them. Indications point to an effort of a similar nature by Starbuck Lodge No. 160 in the near future. Good luck to them.

The District Secretary summoned all lodges to attend the District Committee of General Purposes meeting on April 5. With two exceptions all were present and all items within their Jurisdiction were disposed of.

The District Church service was held on May 2, at Holland with Bro. Rev. Clifford Manning officiating. Owing to the condition of the roads, the representation was not as large as might have been expected.

It has been my privilege to attend four meetings of the Board of General Purposes during my term of office.

It has been brought to my attention that Wawanesa Lodge No. 67 intends to present a Fifty-year Jewel to R.W. Bro. H.E. Mitchell on May 25, this year.

In conclusion I would again like to express my appreciation to the Third Masonic District for the honor they have conferred on me and to you Most Worshipful Sir, for your confirmation.

Yours fraternally,

J. A. SUNDELL
D.D.G.M. Third Masonic District.

FOURTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

As the term of my office, as your Representative of the Fourth Masonic District draws to a close, I have the honor to submit for your consideration and approval the report of my activities.

On assuming the duties of office, I appointed Bro. Frank Morrison as our District Secretary and W. Bro. Thos. Shelton as our District Chaplain.

These brethren accompanied me on my official visits and on some unofficial visits. We usually had one full carload and sometimes two on each trip.

I made one official visit and in most cases two or more unofficial visits to each Lodge in the District.

My first duty was to call all of the Masters, Wardens and Secretaries together for a round table conference to give them instructions on the mechanics of the lodge work and to discuss any problems they might have. At Manitou we had representatives from Morden, Mound, Crystal, Cartwright and Manitou Lodges, one night, and at Killarney representatives from Doric and Killarney Lodges. These meetings seemed to be just what the officers of each lodge wanted and proved a wonderful starting point for me in my work.

I made an unoffiicial visit to most of the Lodges before our District Meeting. This in my opinion was very much to the benefit of the Craft and also to myself by meeting the brethren in their own Lodges, discussing everyday occurrences and also their little problems.

On my official visits I was received in the Proper Masonic manner. The topic on which I spoke was a follow-up on the round table conference, that we had had with the Masters and Wardens, also the necessity for care in the reception of candidates, as Our House is only as strong as the weakest timber, and our chain, the weakest link.

The condition of Freemasonry in the District and the harmony within the Lodges appeared quite favorable to me. There appears to be a considerable amount of visiting being done, not only among our own Lodges, but with those across the International Boundary.

In this respect I am most happy to report that Crystal Lodge No. 71, Mound Lodge No. 118, and Manitou Lodge No. 30, acted as joint hosts to a number of Lodges from North Dakota as an "International Night" held in Mound Lodge, where the Master Masons degree was exemplified in a most efficient and inspiring manner. This was followed by a buffet banquet which was enjoyed very much and many happy contacts were established, which is one of the prime purposes of such affairs.

With reference to the degree work witnessed on my official and unofficial visits, I was favorably impressed by the dignity and the efficient manner in which the degrees were conferred.

A great stimulation to my work as District Deputy Grand Master in the Fourth Masonic District was my trip to Churchill last summer with the Masonic brethren of Manitoba and the Officers of Grand Lodge.

Finally, I would like to thank the brethren of the District for my election to the office of District Deputy Grand Master and to you, Most Worshipful Sir, for your confirmation of this election. I hope that in some small way I have contributed something to the benefit of the Craft and that I have left the brethren with additional food for thought.

Fraternally submitted,

N. H. ASHLEY
D.D.G.M. Fourth Masonic District.

FIFTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba,
A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I herewith submit for your consideration and approval my report, as your Representative for the Fifth Masonic District.

My first official duty was to attend the Consecration of Woodworth Lodge on July 10th 1953, at which M.W. Bro. G. A. McMorran and several Past Grand Masters were present, besides other Grand Lodge Officers; it was a splendid meeting, over thirty Lodges being represented.

The District meeting was held in the United Church, Strathclair, on October 23, 1953. The afternoon session opened at 2.30 p.m. W. Bro. T. D. McLean of Strathclair welcomed the brethren.

A summarized report of the Lodges was read by the Secretary. R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett asked for an opinion of the report as given. R.W. Bro. R. Peel said the report was too brief. It was pointed out by the District Deputy Grand Master that the individual reports did not supply the information required to make an interesting summary.

M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray gave a short talk on the subject and suggested that each lodge assist the Secretary in compiling and preparing the report for the Annual District Meeting.

The question period, conducted by R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett created keen interest. Several questions were asked and satisfactorily answered by R.W. Bro. Emmett and R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson. R.W. Bro. H. S. Perdue exemplified the Penalties.

The meeting adjourned at 5.30 p.m.

A banquet was served in the Municipal Hall at 6 o'clock p.m., the wives of the members of Strathclair Lodge being in charge. At the conclusion of the dinner, Toasts were proposed to the Queen, the Craft, and the M.W. Grand Master. The Grand Master responded to the toast, ably assisted by R.W. Bro. J.R.C. Evans Deputy Grand Master.

The evening session opened at 8 p.m. when R.W. Bro. G.V. Henderson introduced the Grand Master and his suite. Accompanying the Grand Master were M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole, P.G.M.; R.W. Bro. J.R.C. Evans, D.G.M. and R.W. Bro. R.E. Emmett, S.G.W.; R.W. Bro. J.F. Irwin, J.G.W. and R.W. Bro. Thos C. Jackson, Grand Secretary.

R.W. Bro. Jackson gave a short Address after which R.W. Bro. Emmett conducted another question period.

M.W. Bro. Gray, Grand Master, then spoke on the subject of creating a Masonic Disaster Fund, and asked for a show of hands, the meeting voted unanimously in favor of such a fund.

W. Bro. S. H. Dayton of Newdale Lodge No. 159, being the only nominee for the office of District Deputy Grand Master was declared elected, subject to the approval of the Grand Master.

M.W. Bro. H. H. Gray then presented R.W. Bro. Fleming with the regalia of a Past District Deputy Grand Master and complimented him on the faithful performance of his duties. R.W. Bro. Fleming thanked the brethren for the regalia and also for their co-operation.

M.W. Bro. Chas. E. Cole gave a short talk which was much appreciated and greatly enjoyed.

The following is a list of my Official Visits. Many of the Lodges I visited a second time.

Corinthian Lodge No. 15	August 4th, 1953
Foxwarren Lodge No. 152	August 5th, 1953
Newdale Lodge No. 159	August 6th, 1953
Miniota Lodge No. 102	August 27th, 1953
Woodworth Lodge No. 166	September 9th, 1953
Minnedosa Lodge No. 14	September 10th, 1953
Harmony Lodge No. 142	September 17th, 1953
Hamiota Lodge No. 84	September 22nd, 1953
Rivers Lodge No. 115	September 28th, 1953
Shoal Lake Lodge No. 92	October 8th, 1953
Russell Lodge No. 62	October 13th, 1953
Binscarth Lodge No. 101	October 19th, 1953
Strathclair Lodge No. 106	October 20th, 1953
Birtle Lodge No. 39	November 16th, 1953

I was also glad to be able to visit the Sixth Masonic District Meeting at Hartney, accompanied by W. Bro. W.A. Hunter, District Secretary. I attended nearly all the meetings of the Board in Winnipeg.

A Church Service was held in the United Church, Strathclair, on Sunday September 27th. A large number of Masons attended. The service was conducted by the District Chaplain Bro. Rev. A. Friebert.

I attended the funeral at Birtle of R.W. Bro. F.C. Barber, a Past District Deputy Grand Master of this District and a Mason for over 50 years. The large number of Masons attending this funeral attested to the high regard in which this worthy Brother was held.

On April 29th I attended along with the District Secretary and W. Bro. S. G. Sinclair, the area meeting at Kenton. It was indeed a fine meeting, a goodly number of Masons being present. We enjoyed a fine Banquet during which the usual Toasts were given.

The evening session consisted of a sing-song, a question period, and a short debate. It was very interesting and informative, and I think that these meetings are a fine thing for the getting together of Masons from a distance, which does not come too often.

I received a very cordial reception on all my visits. I endeavored in my talks to the Brethren to outline the part Masonry is playing, or should play in our daily lives, working towards a new tomorrow.

I found the Lodges generally in good condition; there seems to be an increase in membership, with more work to do. I can safely say, that the Fifth Masonic District is steadily improving, the work is very well done and enthusiasm general in most Lodges.

I want to express my thanks to the Brethren of the District for electing me to this office, and to you Most Worshipful Sir for confirming my election. I have spent a most enjoyable year, and while the District is a large one, I have had much pleasure in all my visits. I want to thank the District Secretary W. Bro. W. A. Hunter and the District Chaplain Bro. Rev. A.

Friebert for their services. To W. Bro. Hunter my grateful thanks for his kindness in using his car in taking me on many of my visits. His company was much appreciated, and anything I wanted him to do was done cheerfully.

To the members of Strathclair Lodge also my thanks for nominating me, and for their support during my term of office. I shall always be grateful to my Mother Lodge.

I want to express my appreciation to the Grand Secretary and his staff for their advice and assistance, which was always available. In conclusion I can only say that if I have in any way contributed to the spirit of Freemasonry in the District, I have been amply repaid by the friendly co-operation I received from all the members of the various Lodges, and the many friendships I have made during my term. It is with a feeling of regret that I pass on my badge of office to my successor.

Fraternally submitted,

H. M. MAYHEW

D.D.G.M. Fifth Masonic District.

SIXTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit for your approval and consideration, my report of activities as your Representative in the Sixth Masonic District for the term 1953-54. Your kindly words of encouragement and advice, I will always cherish.

I have visited each of the eight lodges officially and revisited most of them informally, witnessing degree work. I realized the harmony and good will that exists among the brethren in each lodge throughout the District and that is proof positive that Freemasonry when built on the foundation of Justice, Truth, Tolerance and Brotherly Love, is bound to prosper—nothing more is needed to make it a success.

After my election I appointed R.W. Bro. J.C. Duthie, District Secretary and W. Bro. Rev. W. Donogh, District Chaplain, and I have appreciated their assistance greatly. Our District Meeting was held in Hartney on October the 2nd, afternoon and evening. M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray, Grand Master was accompanied by several Grand Lodge officers. The afternoon session was practically taken up with a Question and Answer period, R.W. Bro. R.E. Emmett, S.G.W. conducting. Many of the brethren took part which made an interesting as well as educational event.

The selection of District Deputy Grand Master for 1954-55 was W. Bro. J.G. Cobb of Oriental Lodge No. 54. No other name being submitted, W. Bro. Cobb was declared elected subject to the approval of the Grand Master. A very fine banquet was prepared by the Order of the Eastern Star at 6 p.m. R.W. Bro. G. Landreth presided as Toast Master. The evening session was well attended and concluded the business after which came some very interesting Addresses by the M.W. Grand Master and several Grand Lodge Officers.

The pleasure and privilege that has been mine in visiting the various lodges has done much to increase my knowledge of Masonry, and words cannot adequately express the satisfaction that comes from meeting good and true men of Masonic Lodges; and now I will give you in brief a few highlights of the events that I experienced during my official visits. At Oriental Lodge No. 54 it so happened they were celebrating their Sixtieth Anniversary and P.D.D.G.M. R.W. Bro. W.R. Cosgrove was the guest speaker. At Glenwood Lodge No. 27 M.W. Bro. G.A. McMorran was presented with a Past Grand Master's Undress Apron. The presentation on behalf of Glenwood Lodge was ably done by V.W. Bro. McLaren, Ewart; and just recently Glenwood Lodge celebrated their Seventieth Anniversary. I was unable to attend owing to the storm and condition of the roads, but our own lodge was represented by our W. Master and he gave me a splendid report. At Elgin Lodge No. 86 Past Master's Night was held and the veteran Past Masters conducted the meeting well, opening and closing perfectly. At Kilwinning Lodge No. 110, the highlight of the evening was a suitable gift to Bro. Joseph McKee, one of their veteran members who had recently celebrated his 95th year. Although he was unable to be there, his son W. Bro. T.C. McKee replied, thanking the brethren on behalf of his father.

In conclusion, I wish to express again my appreciation to you M.W. Bro. Gray for confirming my election to this high office and also to thank the brethren of the Sixth Masonic District for nominating me, and the full support they have given me during my term as District Deputy Grand Master.

Fraternally submitted,

R. H. GIBSON
D.D.G.M. Sixth Masonic District.

SEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I beg to submit my annual report for the Seventh Masonic District for the year 1953-54.

On August 12, 1953, I held a meeting of Worshipful Masters and Secretaries in this District at Oak Lake, and all matters, relative to the District Annual Meeting held at Virden on October 1st 1953, were discussed, and necessary arrangements made. As District Deputy Grand Master, I discussed plans for my visits to the lodges, as well as several important routine proceedings in lodge work.

At the District Annual Meeting, held in Virden October 1st 1953, there were present one hundred and twenty-four members, as per register. Each lodge in the District was well represented at both sessions. At the afternoon session, W. Bro. A. A. Megaffin, the District Secretary, read a summary of the lodge reports and worthwhile discussion followed. The Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray, contributed greatly to the discussion. This was followed by the reading of two nominations for the position of District Deputy Grand Master of this District for the coming year, namely: V.W. Bro. F.C. Courtice of Brandon Lodge No. 19, and W. Bro. C. Motheral of Oak Lake Lodge No. 44.

There was a large attendance at the evening session, which was held in the lower hall of St. Paul's United Church, Virden, and after the usual Toast, the Grand Master and his suite were formally admitted. This was followed by a brief summary of the proceedings at the afternoon session. The ballot resulted in V.W. Bro. F.C. Courtice of Brandon Lodge No. 19, being chosen to be the District Deputy Grand Master of the Seventh Masonic District for 1954-55.

R.W. Bro. C. Moore then introduced M.W. Bro. M.S. Donovan, who gave a fine Address on the "Fundamentals, Ideals and Philosophy of Freemasonry." The final Address was given by the Grand Master who gave some splendid advice, relative to lodge routine matters, how to make meetings more interesting and what steps one should take to become a better Mason. He also stressed the importance of systematic reading, and a greater use of the Masonic Library

During the year (September 1st to May, 1954) I have had the pleasure of visiting all the lodges in this District, at least twice, and some more often. I was well received on each occasion, and I believe the visits were worthwhile. During the first term, I addressed the brethren on "The History of Freemasonry" and from January until May, I saw degree work and spoke on the degree that was put on that night. The attendance at those meetings was very gratifying, there being evidence of real interest and enthusiasm.

At Fenwick Lodge No. 158, I saw the Entered Apprentice degree; the Fellow Craft degree at Brandon Lodge No. 19, and the Master Mason degree at Elkhorn, Lansdowne, Lebanon and Tweed Lodges. There were always brethren from other lodges at these meetings, and a fine spirit of Masonic fellowship prevailed. On several occasions, a degree team visited another lodge and put on the degree. These occasions were worthwhile.

Altogether, I was very pleased with the apparent interest in all the lodges, and I feel confident that Masonry is being given very serious consideration in the District.

There was a real appreciation in all the lodges, re the Masonic Brotherhood Disaster Fund, and the contributions clearly indicate very general response to this worthy appeal, the total amount from Seventh Masonic District being $1,159.14.

Our annual District Church Service, which was held in St. Paul's United Church, Virden, May 16th at 7.00 p.m. was very well attended, there being over seventy brethren. Rev. Bro. D.B. Sparling, the minister, gave an inspiring sermon, his subject being "The True meaning of Brotherhood."

In closing, I wish to state that I appreciated the honor of being the District Deputy Grand Master of this District, and to the best of my ability, did what I could to accept the great responsibility. I am quite sure that I received a great deal more from the brethren that I gave, and appreciate more than I ever did the real meaning of Fellowship and Brotherhood, as applied to Masonry. Finally, I would like to thank the Grand Secretary and his staff, as well as our Grand Master and his assistants, who, in many ways, assisted me during my term of Office.

Fraternally and sincerely yours,

CLARENCE MOORE
D.D.G.M. Seventh Masonic District.

EIGHTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

Having had the honor of being your Representative for the Eighth Masonic District during the term 1953-54, it is with great pleasure, accompanied with a feeling of sadness, that I submit for your approval a report of my activities during my term of office.

The term has been one of pleasant acquaintances, also a year of learning for me and I am sorry that it is finished. It has proved to be an experience I will always remember.

My first official act was to appoint W. Bro. C. C. Dixon, District Secretary and R.W. Bro. A. J. Sawatzky, District Chaplain, both brethren being of King Solomon Lodge No. 8.

I called a meeting of all Principal Officers in the District held on Sunday August 30th, 1953. However, due to some lodges being in recess and the stress of the harvest season, this conference was ill-attended and very little was accomplished.

With the assistance of Grand Lodge Officers and the Past District Deputy Grand Masters of the Eighth Masonic District and the untiring efforts of the District Secretary, the District Meeting was arranged and held in the Masonic Hall in Morris on October 9th 1953. The attendance was a good average only one lodge not being represented. The afternoon session included a summary of lodge reports, by the District Secretary. A period of Masonic Information was conducted, very ably, by R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett, S.G.W. and R.W. Bro. D. Rothstein, G.D. of C. who exemplified and explained the penalties in the Three Degrees.

The meeting was adjourned to attend a banquet, served in the basement of the United Church, the caterers being the ladies of Sheba Chapter No. 51, Order of Eastern Star. I would like to record here, my sincere thanks to the ladies for their kindness and for the support they gave me, thereby ensuring the success of the banquet. The evening session was well attended.

After you, Most Worshipful Sir, and your suite had been introduced by W. Bro. L. A. Taylor, and received, the business was resumed. The name of W. Bro. H. W. Davison of Penza Lodge No. 120 was the only one submitted for the office of District Deputy Grand Master for this District and the nominee was elected by acclamation, subject to confirmation by the Grand Master.

The presentation by you, Most Worshiful Sir, of regalia to R.W. Bro. J. J. Tjaden, was made in your usual efficient manner and the recipient responded with a few well chosen remarks.

At your request M.W. Bro. Wm. Douglas delivered an excellent Address to the members present which concluded a very happy and successful meeting.

The dates of my official visits in the District are as follows:

Sprague Lodge No. 132	October 7th, 1953
Emerson Lodge No. 6	October 15th, 1953
Midlothian Lodge No. 90	October 19th, 1953
Penza Lodge No. 120	October 27th, 1953
East Star Lodge No. 55	November 3rd, 1953
Patricia Lodge No. 125	November 4th, 1953
Shiloh Lodge No. 70	November 12th, 1953
Carman Lodge No. 155	November 17th, 1953
King Solomon Lodge No. 8	February 9th, 1954

I was received as your Representative with proper Masonic honors at all lodges and all Officers and Secretaries gave me courteous and friendly co-operation in compiling my reports on their activities.

I had the pleasure of witnessing degree work at all lodges but one, such work being demonstrated either on official or casual visits. I visited all lodges in the District twice or more with the exception of Sprague; the location of the latter forced me to limit my trips there to one.

Degree work, generally speaking, was very well done, most of the officers proving proficient in their work, the few exceptions being traceable to nerves, for which they may be excused.

I had the pleasure of accompanying you on several of your official visits. I attended the First, Sixth and Twelfth District Meetings, the Constitution of Friendship Lodge at Fort Garry and the Opening of the new Hall of Crescent Lodge No. 103 at Elm Creek. I was present at the Open Air Meeting at Walhalla, N.D. and also at your Installation to your Office in August at the Masonic Temple at Winnipeg.

I have attended all Board Meetings and have found them very interesting and instructive.

I have arranged for the Annual District Church Service to be held in Morris on Sunday May 16th 1954, and M.W. Bro. Rev. H. B. Donnelly has kindly consented to conduct the service, I hope that we have a good attendance.

Concluding this report I must say this year has been most interesting and instructive for me. I have tried to follow your instructions and bring before the District the true meaning of Freemasonry. Always will I remember the following and support I received from all lodges in the District, especially those accompanying me on my official visits. I was, I am sure, greatly honored and words cannot express my feelings.

I wish to thank the District for electing me to this Office and you, Most Worshipful Sir, for confirming my election.

As I relinquish my Office to my successor I can only say to the members of the Eighth Masonic District, if they have learned one small part of the true meaning of Freemasonry that I have learned during my term of Office, then have I done a good job.

Fraternally submitted,

WALTER J. HAMBLIN
D.D.G.M. Eighth Masonic District.

NINTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

It is with great pleasure that I have the honor of submitting my report, for your consideration and approval, of the activities as your Representative in the Ninth Masonic District for the term 1953-1954.

My first act on becoming your District Deputy Grand Master was the appointment of R.W. Bro. Geo. Russenholt of Favel Lodge No. 126 as District Secretary, and W. Bro. J. F. Johnstone of Favel Lodge 126 as District Chaplain. I am sorry to report that owing to poor health my District Secretary was only able to be with me at two Official visits.

Our District Meeting was well attended considering the condition of the roads at that time. Every lodge in the District was represented. R.W. Bro. Foshner presented the Most Worshipful the Grand Master Harry H. Gray, who introduced his suite, as follows:

M.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe, R.W. Bro. R. E. Emmett, R.W. Bro. T. C. Jackson, R.W. Bro. A. Caughlin, R.W. Bro. J. Edge, V.W. Bro. J. N. Cotton, V.W. Bro. Kitney, R.W. Bro. Wm. Foshner, R.W. Bro. Kelso, R.W. Bro. Geo Russenholt.

On my Official visits I tried to carry out all the instructions I had received from Grand Lodge. I might say that they were well received, and I received a very warm welcome from all the lodges in the District.

The dates of my official visits were as follows:

Favel Lodge No. 126	August 4th, 1953
Hiram Lodge No. 94	August 20th, 1953
Prince Arthur Lodge No. 105	October 1st, 1953
Vermillion Lodge No. 68	October 6th, 1953
Roblin Lodge No. 122	November 9th, 1953
Robbie Burns Lodge No. 100	November 11th, 1953
Jubilee Lodge No. 147	November 12th, 1953
Victory Lodge No. 128	November 18th, 1953

I also made one visit to Robbie Burns Lodge to inspect the Guild Hall, where they are now holding lodge meetings.

I also went to Roblin to inspect their new lodge hall, and I would like to say it is a great credit to Roblin Lodge to have such a fine lodge hall.

I also made a second visit to Vermillion Lodge No. 68, and Prince Arthur Lodge No. 105 to witness degree work. I am sorry to say I did not witness degree work in all the lodges, because when I planned to go the roads were in bad shape. But the work I did witness was put on in a very able manner.

I also attended the Area Meeting at Roblin on April 30th, 1954.

It is with regret that it is my duty to report the passing to the Grand Lodge Above of the following brethren of the Ninth Masonic District:

Vermillion Lodge No. 68. R. W. Bro. Arthur Lawrence Wrye, Bro. Archie Chute, Bro. Maynard Wm. Murray (L.M.), Bro. John Henry Sumpton, Bro. J. H. Richardson, Bro. T. A. Johnstone. Hiram Lodge No. 94, Bro.

Frank McEwan, Bro. Alexander Patterson, W. Bro. Wm. Dawson, Bro. Harold McLennon, W. Bro. Thomas Johnstone, Bro. Clifford Dalgleish, Bro. Charlie Taylor, Bro. R. M. Williamson. Robbie Burns Lodge No. 100, W. Bro. C. F. Caldwell, W. Bro. L. H. Arnett. Prince Arthur Lodge No. 105, Bro. Jarl Johner. Favel Lodge No. 126, W. Bro. W. C. Watson, R.W. Bro. R. F. Hunter, W. Bro. Alex Maltman, W. Bro. Jas S. Maltman. Roblin Lodge No. 122, R.W. Bro. Fred Star. Victory Lodge No. 128, W. Bro. Charles Henry Goodman, Bro. Franklin Stonehouse.

During my term of Office, I greatly appreciated the opportunity of attending the meetings of the Board of General Purposes.

Now that my duties of Office as District Deputy Grand Master of the Ninth Masonic District are complete, I would like to thank all the brethren for the assistance they have given me, and to you Most Worshipful Sir, for confirming my election to this Office. It has been one of the happiest years n Masonry for me.

Yours fraternally,

J. E. BURNETT
D.D.G.M. Ninth Masonic District.

TENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit my report on the condition of Freemasonry in the Tenth Masonic District, and on my activities as your Representative during the past year.

I have visited officially each of the eleven lodges comprising the district and revisited two lodges in order to witness degree work.

My Official Visits were made as follows: Harry Woods Lodge No. 164 August 25th, Stony Mountain Lodge No. 134 September 2nd, Transcona Lodge No. 123 on September 4th, Stonewall Lodge No. 12 on February 11th, Seven Oaks Lodge No. 148 on September 11th, Manitouwapa Lodge No. 156 on September 15th, Ophir Lodge No. 112 on September 21st, Pine Falls Lodge No. 154 on October 9th, The Dormer Lodge No. 151 on October 6th, Kildonan Lodge No. 131 on October 13th, and Lisgar Lodge No. 2 on October 20th.

During my term of office I was able to witness degree work in all lodges of the District and was impressed with the general sincerity and efficiency displayed. This is especially commendable in those rural lodges where the wide dispersal of members prevents regular practices. On my Official Visits I addressed each lodge on one of the Three Degrees, confining my remarks to the degree appropriate to the work of the evening. I have good reason to believe, from the attention paid to my words, that these were favorably received.

Progress, materially, has been made in the district. Where lodges do not already own their meeting places we find them working towards that end. All lodges carry fire insurance but some lodges might be well advised to revise the amount carried. This in view of the ever increasing costs of replacement.

Membership of the district shows an over-all gain of sixteen for the year 1953. The records also declare that during that same period twenty-five of our brethren have left us in answer to that summons which all must obey when issued by the Most High to join the Grand Lodge above. We affectionately honor their memory.

At our District Meeting held at Beausejour on October 8th 1953, W. Bro. H. K. Hutson was regularly nominated as District Deputy Grand Master for 1954-55. There being no other nominations W. Bro. Hutson of Stonewall Lodge No. 12 was duly declared District Deputy Grand Master Elect for that period subject to the approval of the M.W. Grand Master. Other activities of the District Meeting have been elsewhere reported to Grand Lodge.

In conclusion I would like to acknowledge a debt of gratitude to all those who have helped me so unstintingly in my duties. To those responsible for my election to office, to the Lodge Masters, Officers and Members who made every Official Visit a highlight to remember and to my suite and fellow lodge members who accompanied me on my visits, to all of these I express my gratitude. To R.W. Bro. Wm. Bird, P.D.D.G.M. also, I would like to tender my thanks for the advice and encouragement he was always ready to give.

Finally I wish to express my opinion that the spirit of fellowship and brotherly love is abroad throughout the Tenth Masonic District, and that when and where this prevails there should be no lack of hope for the future. Also on behalf of the membership of the District I would assure you of our warm personal esteem and loyalty to the High Office which you hold.

I trust that my efforts during the past year have been of some assistance to you in carrying out your own heavy duties.

Fraternally and sincerely submitted,

J. A. LONGBOTTOM
D.D.G.M. Tenth Masonic District.

TWELFTH MASONIC DISTRICT

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:

I have the honor to submit my report as District Deputy Grand Master for the Twelfth Masonic District.

First of all I would like to express to my brethren of the Twelfth Masonic District my sincere thanks and appreciation for the confidence they placed in me, and the honor they conferred upon me in electing me District Deputy Grand Master for this District for the Masonic year 1953-54, and to you Most Worshipful Sir for confirming my election to that High Office. It has been a great privilege as well as a joy and inspiration to work for the brethren of this District, and under you as your District Deputy. Again I say, thanks.

During my term of office, I visited all of the lodges in the District as follows:

Capitol Lodge No. 136	October 2nd, 1953
Fort Osborne Lodge No. 144	October 6th, 1953
Charleswood Lodge No. 163	October 12th, 1953
Fort Garry Lodge No. 130	October 14th, 1953
Beaver Lodge No. 139	November 12th, 1953
Tuscan Lodge No. 141	November 13th, 1953
Meridian Lodge No. 140	November 19th, 1953
Mount Sinai Lodge No. 143	November 26th, 1953
Windsor Lodge No. 138	January 11th, 1954
Lord Selkirk Lodge No. 137	January 13th, 1954
Sturgeon Creek Lodge No. 145	February 1st, 1954
Fidelity Lodge No. 146	February 5th, 1954

On each of these occasions I was received fittingly as your personal Representative.

I found in my visits to the various lodges, a keen Masonic spirit and atmosphere, and a sincere desire on the part of the brethren to advance and further the interest and spirit of the Craft within their lodge and community; also among the Masters and Officers, a desire to fulfil the duties assigned to them efficiently and well.

All lodges and brethren expressed deep concern and best wishes for your recovery to full health and service, and loyalty to both yourself and to your High Office.

I endeavored in my addresses to the brethren to emphasize the importance of friendship and brotherhood, both in and out of the lodge room, also the need for preparation for Masonic service, so sorely needed in the tired and complex world of to-day.

It is observed that while the great avalanche of applications for membership following World War II, is to some extent tapering off, there is still a steady and probably a more healthy growth among the lodges.

Unfortunately, due to circumstances beyond my control, I was unable as was my earlier intention, to make a second visit to some of the lodges to witness degree work. It is my hope that I shall be able to make some of these visits before the term of my office expires. I am, however, sufficiently familiar with the work of the lodges in this District from past experience to be well aware of the work that is being done, and from that experience I do not hesitate to say that there is little need for concern on that score.

It was also my good fortune to be permited to accompany the Most Worshipful Grand Master on some of his Official Visits, and derived great benefit therefrom.

The District Meeting of the Twelfth Masonic District was held in the Masonic Temple, Winnipeg January 29th 1954, and was a very successful meeting. We were honored on that occasion by the presence of the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Bro. Harry H. Gray accompanied by a very goodly number of Grand Lodge Officers and Past Grand Lodge Officers. M.W. Bro. Gray in speaking to the brethren chose to depart from the usual heavy Address, and spoke on a more friendly level on the more homely and intimate aspect of Freemasonry, which was greatly enjoyed and appreciated by all the brethren present.

A short talk on the meaning and function of Grand Lodge and the duties of the Grand Secretary, was given by the Grand Secretary, R.W. Bro. Thos C. Jackson.

At this meeting, W. Bro. Thomas Wilson, Past Master of Capitol Lodge No. 136, was elected District Deputy Grand Master of the District for the Masonic year 1954-1955, and was so declared subject to the approval of the incoming Grand Master.

It was my privilege and pleasure, accompanied by my wife, to attend the family or ladies' nights of some of the lodges as follows:

Beaver Lodge No. 139 Ladies' and International Night at the Assiniboine Hotel, Albany Room, September 6th, on which occasion the brethren entertained the members of Euclid Lodge, Duluth, Minn., and their ladies. This event was preceded by a lodge meeting with the brethren of Euclid Lodge held in the Masonic Temple in the afternoon. These are I understand, alternate year visits between the two lodges and are certainly to be commended.

Mount Sinai Lodge No. 143, Ladies' Night at the Glendale Country Club, November 5th.

Fort Garry Lodge No. 130 Ladies' and International Night, held at the Assiniboine Hotel, Albany Room, March 4th, when the brethren of Fort Garry Lodge entertained the members of Tongue River Lodge, Cavalier, N.D., and their ladies. This was a return visit made by Fort Garry Lodge brethren and their ladies to Cavalier in November. Both of these visits were most enjoyable and strengthened further the firm bond of friendship that has existed between these two lodges over the past fifteen years of exchange of visits.

Capitol Lodge No. 136 Ladies' Night held at the Marlborough Hotel March 12th.

Charleswood Lodge No. 163 Ladies' Night held at the Assiniboine Hotel, Albany Room, March 26th.

Tuscan Lodge No. 141 Ladies' Night at the St. Charles Hotel, Empire Room, March 30th.

I wish to express appreciation to the Worshipful Masters, Officers and Members of these lodges for their courtesy in inviting us to these very splendid gatherings. They were most enjoyable and I believe make a worthwhile contribution to the welfare of the lodges.

It is very gratifying to observe the increase that is taking place in the matter of lodge visitations, particularly between lodges of the city and country, and with lodges in the United States. "Go often to the home of thy friend, or the weeds will soon choke up the path." We should keep that truth in constant reminder and make Masonic visits as often as possible, either or both as a lodge or individually as Masons.

The Twelfth Masonic District Divine Service was held this year on April 9th, at Rosh Pina Synagogue. A large turnout of brethren were in attendance and a very fine and inspiring sermon was given by Rabbi Chiel of Rosh Pina. I was extended the courtesy of addressing a few words to the brethren on the occasion. At the conclusion of the Service the members of Rosh Pina entertained the brethren at a buffet supper.

At this time I would like to record my personal thanks and those of the brethren of the Twelfth Masonic District to Rabbi Chiel and the congregation of Rosh Pina Synagogue for their kindness in inviting us to conduct our Divine Service in that beautiful Synagogue, and for the warmth of the welcome extended to us on the occasion.

The outstanding event of the Masonic year in the District was the formation and Institution of Menorah Lodge, held in the East Kildonan Masonic Temple, January 20th, 1954. This new lodge, sponsored by the brethren of Mount Sinai Lodge No. 143, was Instituted on the above date by the Most Worshipful Grand Master and Officers of Grand Lodge. I am confident that Menorah Lodge U.D. will make a worthwhile contribution to Freemasory in this District and in their community. We welcome Menorah Lodge into the family of lodges of the Twelfth Masonic District.

In conclusion, I would like to pay tribute and say thank you to my District Officers: W. Bro. G. Scott, District Secretary; W. Bro. S. C. Swanton, District Treasurer; and W. Bro. Archie Hecht, District Chaplain, for the splendid support and assistance afforded to me during my term of office. It has been a great source of comfort to know that these brethren were ever ready with advice and assistance whenever it was necessary to call upon them.

To every member of the entire District I again extend my sincere thanks for their confidence and for their support. That I have failed in many things I am well aware, but I rejoice in the fact and the knowledge that my brethren have been most charitable to my short-comings and my limited ability. It has been a year of rich experience, rich in friendship that I hold and prize so highly, but above all a year of renewed faith in Freemasonry that I am sure will, under the guiding hand of the Great Architect of the Universe, lighten the burden of our fellow men.

Gather the gifts of the generous years,
The griefs, the joys, the trembling tears:
The will to work: the time to play:
The courage to stand in a rainy day.
The faith to follow a rocky road,
The strength to strive with a heavy load.
Hang them high on mem'ry's tree
Life has been good to you and me.

Fraternally yours,

A. E. DUFF
D.D.G.M. Twelfth Masonic District.

In Memoriam

DEDICATED
TO
THE DISTINGUISHED DEAD OF
SISTER
GRAND LODGES
1953

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY

OF

William James Major

Ionic Lodge No. 25

Grand Steward, 1912

Grand Tyler, 1919

Junior Grand Warden, 1920

Senior Grand Warden, 1921

Deputy Grand Master, 1922

Grand Master, 1923

DIED

August 13th, 1953

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

Charles Richard Sayer

Northern Light Lodge No. 10
District Deputy Grand Master, 1933
Grand Director of Ceremonies, 1939-40-41

DIED

October 19th, 1953

John Pollock

Glenwood Lodge No. 27
District Deputy Grand Master, 1918

DIED

August 18th, 1953

James Martin Hough

Birtle Lodge No. 39
District Deputy Grand Master, 1911

DIED

January 19th, 1953

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

A. Lawrence Wrye
Vermillion Lodge No. 68
District Deputy Grand Master, 1948

DIED
April 6th, 1953

Clifford George McLean
Mound Lodge No. 118
District Deputy Grand Master, 1951

DIED
March 1st, 1953

Frederick Starr
Roblin Lodge No. 122
District Deputy Grand Master, 1944

DIED
July 20th, 1953

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

Robert Fender Hunter

Favel Lodge No. 126
District Deputy Grand Master, 1930

DIED
March 12th, 1953

Abraham E. Weidman

Mount Sinai Lodge No. 143
District Deputy Grand Master, 1948

DIED
August 15th, 1953

John T. Bragg

St. John's Lodge No. 4
Grand Steward, 1904

DIED
March 25th, 1953

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

Arthur Mayne McGlashan
King Solomon Lodge No. 8
Grand Steward, 1917

DIED
October 21st, 1953

William George Corbett
Stonewall Lodge No. 12
Grand Pursuivant, 1939

DIED
January 2nd, 1953

William Henry Simpson
Crystal Lodge No. 71
Senior Grand Deacon, 1922

DIED
August 31st, 1953

In Memoriam

DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY
OF

William James Young

The Pas Lodge No. 124
Senior Grand Steward, 1923

DIED
February 6th, 1953

Alexander C. B. Stewart

Sturgeon Creek Lodge No. 145
Junior Grand Steward, 1936

DIED
June 1st, 1953

Samuel Edward Thomas Dodd

Flin Flon Lodge No. 153
Junior Grand Steward, 1946

DIED
August 29th, 1953

IN MEMORY

OF THE BELOVED BRETHREN WHO ARE

At Rest

Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Dunlop, J. G.	June 9, 1952	Prince Rupert's	1
Smith, R. D.	Jan. 10, 1953	Prince Rupert's	1
Lawrence, J. H. C.	Feb. 2, 1953	Prince Rupert's	1
Peacock, I. T.	Feb. 6, 1953	Prince Rupert's	1
Ashton, E.	Feb. 9, 1953	Prince Rupert's	1
Cook, T. S.	Mar. 16, 1953	Prince Rupert's	1
Spear, R. E.	Mar. 26, 1953	Prince Rupert's	1
MacKenzie, C. A.	Apr. 5, 1953	Prince Rupert's	1
Harris, P. D.	June 3, 1953	Prince Rupert's	1
Loucks, W. F.	July 27, 1953	Prince Rupert's	1
McLaren, Wm.	July 27, 1953	Prince Rupert's	1
Watt, W. L.	Aug. 14, 1953	Prince Rupert's	1
Fearn, A.	Sep. 18, 1953	Prince Rupert's	1
Piper, C. H.	Sep. 18, 1953	Prince Rupert's	1
Gordon, W. E.	Mar. 26, 1953	Lisgar	2
Evans, C. R.	Mar. 31, 1953	Lisgar	2
McLeod, Wm.	July 1953	Lisgar	2
Thomas, W. H. H.	July 2, 1953	Lisgar	2
Moar, Alex.	Nov. 22, 1953	Lisgar	2
Norquay, H. C.	Dec. 26, 1953	Lisgar	2
Broder, G. M.	Feb. 1, 1953	Ancient Landmark	3
Gill, Geo.	Mar. 10, 1953	Ancient Landmark	3
Earl, J. F.	Mar. 26, 1953	Ancient Landmark	3
Langille, J. F.	Apr. 30, 1953	Ancient Landmark	3
Couson, W. B.	1953	Ancient Landmark	3
Purdon, D. H.	1953	Ancient Landmark	3
Irving, D. J.	July 6, 1953	Ancient Landmark	3
Theobald, P. F.	Aug. 18, 1953	Ancient Landmark	3
Urch, L.	Oct. 9, 1953	Ancient Landmark	3
Thomson, C. A.	Oct. 23, 1953	Ancient Landmark	3
Brown, A.	Jan. 1, 1953	St. John's	4
Montgomery, T. W.	Jan. 13, 1953	St. John's	4
Lock, A. S.	Jan. 14, 1953	St. John's	4
Strange, H.	Feb. 2, 1953	St. John's	4
Brock, S.	Feb. 3, 1953	St. John's	4
Birt, J. J.	Feb. 5, 1953	St. John's	4
Lennerton, W. J.	Feb. 8, 1953	St. John's	4
Murray, D.	Mar. 5, 1953	St. John's	4
Platt, A.	Mar. 8, 1953	St. John's	4
Watson, J. R.	Mar. 16, 1953	St. John's	4

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Olliver, C. P.	Mar. 24, 1953	St. John's	4
Dixon, E. A.	Mar. 30, 1953	St. John's	4
Muggoch, A. W.	Apr. 7, 1953	St. John's	4
Forfar, H. R.	May 2, 1953	St. John's	4
Newton, C. H. C.	June 7, 1953	St. John's	4
Montgomery, A.	July 5, 1953	St. John's	4
Kerr, W. M. J.	July 9, 1953	St. John's	4
Nelson, T. A.	Aug. 13. 1953	St. John's	4
Sloan, J.	Sep. 2, 1953	St. John's	4
Sullivan, T. M.	Sep. 26, 1953	St. John's	4
McKay, S.	Jan. 10, 1053	Assiniboine	7
Gregor, J.	Feb. 4, 1953	Assiniboine	7
Morrison, J.	Sep. 28, 1953	Assiniboine	7
Fotheringham, G.	Oct. 3, 1953	Assiniboine	7
Shields, J. H.	May 17, 1953	King Solomon	8
Hendry, E. J.	May 27, 1953	Northern Light	10
Rennie, W. G.	May 28, 1953	Northern Light	10
Bruce, J. K.	June 1, 1953	Northern Light	10
Merrett, E. E.	July 5, 1953	Northern Light	10
Wylie, L. T.	July 5, 1953	Northern Light	10
Sharpe, R. A.	Sep. 18, 1953	Northern Light	10
Whaley, W. J.	Sep. 16, 1953	Gladstone	11
Davis, C. L.	Mar. 25, 1953	Stonewall	12
Sims, S. G.	Aug. 15, 1953	Stonewall	12
Smart, C.	Feb. 13, 1953	Morden	13
Baker, V. W.	Sep. 24, 1953	Morden	13
Crosse, J. E.	Oct. 1, 1953	Morden	13
Godfrey, Wm.	Nov. 24, 1953	Morden	13
Cleverley, M. C.	Feb. 2, 1953	Prince of Wales	14
Fraser, S. R.	June 1, 1953	Prince of Wales	14
Rykiss, W. A.	Sep. 15, 1953	Prince of Wales	14
McNeely, P. E.	Dec. 21, 1953	Prince of Wales	14
Newitt, A. R.	July 4, 1953	Corinthian	15
Davies, T. L.	Nov. 23, 1953	Corinthian	15
Warren, Jas.	Dec. 18, 1953	Corinthian	15
Fisher, J. F.	Feb. 26, 1953	Brandon	19
Cameron, R.	Aug. 14, 1953	Brandon	19
Irwin, F. J.	Oct. 13, 1953	Brandon	19
Haddell, A. E.	Nov. 4, 1953	Brandon	19
Walker, A. E.	Feb. 21, 1953	Neepawa	24

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Simpson, J.	Apr. 29, 1953	Neepawa	24
Benson, S.	June 18, 1953	Neepawa	24
Edwards, J. R.	Oct. 25, 1953	Neepawa	24
McClelland, R. J. M.	Jan. 1, 1953	Ionic	25
Comrie, H. G.	Feb. 7, 1953	Ionic	25
Ebin, J.	Mar. 19, 1953	Ionic	25
Procter, P. J.	Apr. 14, 1953	Ionic	25
Skinner, J.	May 29, 1953	Ionic	25
Nicholson, A. H.	June 6, 1953	Ionic	25
McDonald, G. T.	June 26, 1953	Ionic	25
Robertson, H. G.	Aug. 14, 1953	Ionic	25
Simpson, J. W. J.	Aug. 24, 1953	Ionic	25
Boyle, E. R.	Sep. 10, 1953	Ionic	25
Burns, W. L.	Oct. 6, 1953	Ionic	25
Blackie, A.	Oct. 8, 1953	Ionic	25
Nanson, G. C.	Oct. 9, 1953	Ionic	25
Coghill, A.	Oct. 12, 1953	Ionic	25
Davies, J. M.	Nov. 25, 1953	Ionic	25
Muir, W. S.	Dec. 11, 1953	Ionic	25
Hume, J. R.	Jan. 6, 1953	Glenwood	27
Knowles, R.	July 8, 1953	Glenwood	27
Pounder, R. A.	Sep. 24, 1953	Glenwood	27
King, H. J.	Oct. 2, 1953	Glenwood	27
Wickstrom, O.	Nov. 17, 1953	Glenwood	27
Adams, A. S.	June 13, 1953	Manitou	30
Phillips, E. J.	Jan. 10, 1953	Doric	36
Grant, B.	Oct. 12, 1953	Doric	36
Rainey, G. E.	Jan. 6, 1953	Lebanon	43
Thompson, H. N.	Apr. 20, 1953	Lebanon	43
Batty, J.	July 18, 1953	Lebanon	43
Wilford, L.	Apr. 18, 1953	Glenboro	48
Kennedy, E. R.	Nov. 2, 1953	Glenboro	48
Hunt, T. J.	Mar. 25, 1953	Temple	49
Patterson, B. L.	Apr. 17, 1953	Temple	49
Hellis, W. J.	July 19, 1953	Killarney	50
McQueen, A.	Oct. 11, 1953	Killarney	50
Ross, H.	Mar. 31, 1953	Treherne	51
Norton, F. P.	Jan. 7, 1953	Hartney	52
Gibson, G. M.	July 11, 1953	Hartney	52
Somerville, C. R.	Dec. 23, 1953	Hartney	52

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Elson, W. W.	Oct. 10, 1952	East Star	55
Gustafson, J. A.	Apr. 8, 1953	East Star	55
Chambers, J. K.	Aug. 21, 1953	Holland	63
Leitch, J.	Jan. 10, 1953	Composite	64
Ingram, T. N.	July 14, 1953	Wawanesa	67
Johnston, W. J.	Aug. 15, 1953	Wawanesa	67
Chute, A.	May 22, 1953	Vermillion	68
Murray, M. W.	Aug. 25, 1953	Vermillion	68
Sumpton, J. H.	Sep. 30, 1953	Vermillion	68
Cocking, A. L.	Nov. 20, 1953	Vermillion	68
Richardson, J. H.	Dec. 15, 1953	Vermillion	68
Hunter, G. A.	Dec. 16, 1953	Vermillion	68
McNeely, P. E.	Dec. 24, 1953	Vermillion	68
McLean, E. A.	Dec. 26, 1953	Vermillion	68
Anderson, T. A.	July 3, 1953	Shiloh	70
Sanders, R. M.	Mar. 28, 1953	Crystal	71
Baird, T. T.	Dec. 27, 1953	Crystal	71
Kennedy, J. L.	Aug. 25, 1953	Gothic	75
Christie, J. L.	Jan. 12, 1953	Cypress	82
Grant, A.	Jan. 17, 1953	Elgin	86
O'Reilly, J. L.	July 5, 1953	Elgin	86
Newsom, L. W.	Aug. 16, 1953	Elgin	86
Kerr, J. A.	Feb. 27, 1953	Midlothian	90
Lawson, R.	May 30, 1953	Midlothian	90
Bingham, W. J.	Mar. 13, 1953	Midlothian	90
Stuart, S.	Aug. 19, 1953	Midlothian	90
Love, N. A.	Sep. 14, 1953	Midlothian	90
Moor, E. G.	Jan. 8, 1953	King Edward	93
Whiteway, A. P.	Jan. 17, 1953	King Edward	93
Taylor, T. H.	Apr. 13, 1953	King Edward	93
Owen, T.	Apr. 22, 1953	King Edward	93
Bennett, R.	Sep. 7, 1953	King Edward	93
Hepworth, A. D.	Oct. 24, 1953	King Edward	93
McLennan, R. H.	Mar. 21, 1953	Hiram	94
Johnston, T.	July 11, 1953	Hiram	94
Dalgleish, R. J. C.	Sep. 24, 1953	Hiram	94
Caldwell, C. F.	Feb. 1, 1953	Robbie Burns	100
Arnett, J. H.	Aug. 1953	Robbie Burns	100
Matheson, Wm.	June 10, 1953	Binscarth	101
Jackson. J.	Mar. 12, 1953	Miniota	102

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Lindsay, A. W.	May 11, 1953	Miniota	102
Shaw, C. A.	May 21, 1953	Crescent	103
Mitchell, Wm.	Jan. 3, 1953	Reston	104
Mennie, Wm.	June 14, 1953	Reston	104
Bland, C. M.	July 3, 1953	Reston	104
Macintyre, H.	July 18, 1953	Reston	104
Mutter, Thos.	Dec. 2, 1953	Reston	104
Johner, Jarl	Apr. 15, 1953	Prince Arthur	105
McMillan, D. A.	Apr. 15, 1953	Lansdowne	107
Bruce, D.	Mar. 7, 1953	Acacia	111
Kerr, T. O.	July 7, 1953	Acacia	111
Bethel, Wm.	Nov. 30, 1953	Ophir	112
Turner, W. B.	Feb. 26, 1953	Tweed	113
Edworthy, G.	Apr. 20, 1953	Tweed	113
Sutherland, W. A. N.	Oct. 10, 1953	Tweed	113
Smith, D. M.	July 20, 1953	"The Assiniboine"	114
Davies, J. G.	July 24, 1953	"The Assiniboine"	114
Young, J. F. T.	Aug. 19, 1953	"The Assiniboine"	114
Dahl, C. H.	Oct. 3, 1953	"The Assiniboine"	114
Wade, H. G.	Oct. 17, 1953	"The Assiniboine"	114
Mackay, E. C.	Nov. 4, 1953	"The Assiniboine"	114
Thomas, W. G.	Dec. 25, 1953	"The Assiniboine"	114
Johnson, T.	Oct. 3, 1953	Strathcona	117
Grassick, A.	Apr. 15, 1953	Mound	118
Phin, C. A. E.	July 12, 1953	Mound	118
Saunders, G. E. S.	Sep. 20, 1953	Mound	118
Mitchell, E. E.	Feb. 12, 1953	Norwood	119
Smith, R.	Feb. 22, 1953	Norwood	119
Barrett, A. W.	Mar. 2, 1953	Norwood	119
Milne, D.	June 10, 1953	Norwood	119
Parkinson, E.	June 14, 1953	Norwood	119
Torell, J. S.	Oct. 25, 1953	Norwood	119
Thorsteinson, J.	Oct. 30, 1953	Norwood	119
Austin, Wm.	Nov. 26, 1953	Norwood	119
Spence, E. W.	Dec. 31, 1953	Norwood	119
Cornforth, J. E.	Sep. 23, 1952	Penza	120
McClelland, T. W.	Mar. 26, 1953	Penza	120
Perrie, A. J.	Mar. 29, 1953	St. James	121
Marley, B.	May 21, 1953	St. James	121
Larkins, F. G.	June 21, 1953	St. James	121

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Scudder, A.	July 14, 1953	St. James	121
Lister, H.	Aug. 11, 1953	St. James	121
Speir, G. L.	Aug. 12, 1953	Roblin	122
McGillivray, D.	Aug. 7, 1953	Transcona	123
Black, A.	Oct. 28, 1953	Transcona	123
Gray, C. M.	Nov. 27, 1953	Transcona	123
Woodcock, F. W.	June 4, 1953	The Pas	124
MacLean, J. H.	Feb. 13, 1953	Patricia	125
Latham, M.	Sep. 26, 1953	Patricia	125
Brown, O. R.	Dec. 16, 1953	Patricia	125
Maltman, A.	Aug. 21, 1953	Favel	126
Maltman, J. S.	Dec. 11, 1953	Favel	126
Johnston, E.	Feb. 17, 1953	Empire	127
Steeves, J. T.	Dec. 6, 1953	Empire	127
Stonehouse, G. F.	Feb. 10, 1953	Victory	128
Hewlett, W. A.	Jan. 31, 1953	Fort Garry	130
Forbes, N.	Feb. 7, 1953	Fort Garry	130
Guthrie, T.	Feb. 8, 1953	Fort Garry	130
Jenkins, C. H.	May 15, 1953	Fort Garry	130
Stephenson, J. A.	Aug. 4, 1953	Fort Garry	130
Robinson, Wm.	Oct. 28, 1953	Fort Garry	130
Houston, W. A.	Nov. 23, 1953	Fort Garry	130
Surgeoner, Chas.	Sep. 18, 1953	Kildonan	131
McNab, J. S.	Sep. 26, 1953	Kildonan	131
Robeson, J. E.	Oct. 1, 1953	Kildonan	131
Samson, R. G.	Oct. 27, 1953	Kildonan	131
Crawford, C. J.	May 29, 1953	McCreary	133
Snell, J.	Jan. 31, 1953	Stony Mountain	134
Bennett, Wm.	Dec. 22, 1953	Stony Mountain	134
Williamson, H. E.	Jan. 14, 1953	Capitol	136
Webster, Wm.	Apr. 23, 1953	Capitol	136
Munro, C.	July 1953	Capitol	136
Brandon, H. G.	June 13, 1953	Lord Selkirk	137
Browne, T. J.	July 8, 1953	Lord Selkirk	137
Armstrong, E. W.	Oct. 16, 1953	Lord Selkirk	137
Milne, J. R.	Mar. 23, 1953	Windsor	138
Shannon, Wm.	Oct. 11, 1953	Windsor	138
Lawrence, G. S.	May 15, 1953	Beaver	139
Nelson, J. B.	Aug. 19, 1953	Beaver	139
McLeod, H. N.	Oct. 6, 1953	Beaver	139

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Coad, O. S.	Dec. 14, 1953	Beaver	139
Anderson, A.	Feb. 7, 1953	Meridian	140
Halliday, A.	June 13, 1953	Meridian	140
Coley, B. S.	Sep. 15, 1953	Meridian	140
Gillson, J. H.	Sep. 21, 1953	Meridian	140
Wardrop, E. J.	Oct. 24, 1953	Meridian	140
Boby, D. J.	Oct. 30, 1953	Meridian	140
King, D. A.	Nov. 6, 1953	Meridian	140
Masters, R. E.	Nov. 16, 1953	Meridian	140
Ashley, T. R. A.	Nov. 21, 1953	Meridian	140
Simpson, Chas.	Dec. 2, 1953	Meridian	140
Woolston, A. T.	Dec. 4, 1953	Meridian	140
Parker, G. H.	Apr. 24, 1953	Tuscan	141
Zanzig, A.	Sep. 4, 1953	Tuscan	141
Hyndman, M. A.	Sep. 30, 1953	Harmony	142
Gould, T.	May 23, 1953	Mount Sinai	143
Steiman, R.	July 30, 1953	Mount Sinai	143
Nemy, A.	Oct. 8, 1953	Mount Sinai	143
Davidson, A.	Mar. 22, 1953	Fort Osborne	144
Rankin, H. A.	Dec. 20, 1953	Fort Osborne	144
Waters, W. P.	Jan. 12, 1953	Fidelity	146
Thurlbeck, A. E.	Mar. 3, 1953	Fidelity	146
Smith, J. S. A.	Apr. 13, 1953	Fidelity	146
Atkinson, H. R.	Apr. 15, 1953	Fidelity	146
Sprange, L. H.	July 3, 1953	Fidelity	146
O'Dowda, R. T. C.	July 21, 1953	Fidelity	146
Burnside, N. J. C.	Oct. 8, 1953	Fidelity	146
Kelly, C. H.	Oct. 26, 1953	Fidelity	146
Platt, A.	Mar. 7, 1953	Seven Oaks	148
Arnett, J. H.	Aug. 25, 1953	Seven Oaks	148
Jenkinson, W. T.	Dec. 16, 1953	Seven Oaks	148
Wallace, G. C.	Nov. 27, 1953	The Dormer	151
Hamilton, H.	Dec. 12, 1953	Foxwarren	152
Mearns, J. H.	Feb. 1, 1953	Flin Flon	153
Reuter, H. W.	Apr. 24, 1953	Flin Flon	153
Lowe, S. P.	Oct. 18, 1953	Flin Flon	153
McCondach, G.	May 10, 1953	Carman	155
Beaton, N.	Apr. 9, 1953	Fenwick	158
Geiger, A.	May 13, 1953	Charleswood	163
Morrison, J.	Sep. 28, 1953	Marquette	U.D.

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Lowen, E. G.	Jan. 21, 1953	Prince Rupert's	1
Skelly, Geo.	Nov. 17, 1953	Prince Rupert's	1
Reese, E. W.	Nov. 17, 1953	Prince Rupert's	1
Franks, H. F.	Oct. 25, 1953	Lisgar	2
Johnson, J. V.	Oct. 25, 1953	Lisgar	2
McDonald, Wm.	Dec. 15, 1953	Lisgar	2
Reid, D.	Nov. 16, 1953	Ancient Landmark	3
Waddell, J. C.	Nov. 16, 1953	Ancient Landmark	3
Paine, W. C. J.	Jan. 7, 1953	St. John's	4
Brown, R.	Dec. 2, 1953	St. John's	4
Cook, J. A.	Dec. 2, 1953	St. John's	4
Moss, C. J.	Dec. 2, 1953	St. John's	4
Thomas, I. G.	Dec. 2, 1953	St. John's	4
Wilton, W. K.	Feb. 13, 1953	Assiniboine	7
Richardson, R. R.	Mar. 3, 1953	Assiniboine	7
Baskier, L. C.	Dec. 12, 1953	Assiniboine	7
Bradley, F. R.	Dec. 12, 1953	Assiniboine	7
Bradley, W. H.	Dec. 12, 1953	Assiniboine	7
Burton, W.	Dec. 12, 1953	Assiniboine	7
Campbell, W. G.	Dec. 12, 1953	Assiniboine	7
Carver, A. C.	Dec. 12, 1953	Assiniboine	7
Cooper, J. S.	Dec. 12, 1953	Assiniboine	7
Garvin, F. G.	Dec. 12, 1953	Assiniboine	7
Jessiman, J. A.	Dec. 12, 1953	Assiniboine	7
McDermid, R. D.	Dec. 12, 1953	Assiniboine	7
Orton, N. S.	Dec. 12, 1953	Assiniboine	7
Owens, H. E.	Dec. 12, 1953	Assiniboine	7
Salter, F. F.	Dec. 12, 1953	Assiniboine	7
Rankin, L. C.	Jan. 15, 1953	Northern Light	10
Snyder, H. C.	Jan. 15, 1953	Northern Light	10
McAuley, L. A.	Oct. 15, 1953	Northern Light	10
Clark, J. D.	Nov. 19, 1953	Northern Light	10
Colchester, W. M.	Jan. 12, 1953	Gladstone	11
Crooks, S.	Jan. 12, 1953	Gladstone	11
Spalding, N.	Aug. 10, 1953	Gladstone	11
Corbin, F. A.	Dec. 14, 1953	Gladstone	11
Pitt, A.	Jan. 8, 1953	Stonewall	12
Arbuthnot, J.	Apr. 9, 1953	Stonewall	12
McBurney, D. J.	Dec. 10, 1953	Stonewall	12
Fraser, J. K.	June 18, 1952	Morden	13
Nairne, H. J.	Dec. 18, 1952	Morden	13
Scott, H. W.	Dec. 18, 1952	Morden	13
Cruden, W. W.	Sept. 27, 1953	Morden	13
Brown, G. A.	Nov. 19, 1953	Morden	13
Kahane, L. H.	Nov. 20, 1953	Morden	13
Day, J. B.	Dec. 17, 1953	Morden	13
Smith, H. H.	Dec. 17, 1953	Prince of Wales	14
Hyndman, J. L.	July 1953	Corinthian	15
Rodgers, J. G.	Jan. 13, 1953	Neepawa	24
Link, A. N.	Dec. 10, 1953	Neepawa	24
Gardiner, L. P.	Dec. 7, 1953	Ionic	25
Innes, R.	Dec. 7, 1953	Ionic	25

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Name	Date	Lodge	No.
Kleckner, E. L.	Dec. 7, 1953	Ionic	25
McCormick, J. A.	Sept. 13, 1951	Glenwood	27
Atchison, W. E.	Sept. 25, 1953	Glenwood	27
Frost, J.	Sept. 25, 1953	Glenwood	27
Holmes, O. W.	Sept. 25, 1953	Glenwood	27
Couzens, H. C.	Nov. 2, 1953	Manitou	30
Curll, G. O.	Dec. 31, 1953	Manitou	30
Scurfield, R.	Sept. 22, 1953	Doric	36
Best, R. H.	Nov. 24, 1953	Doric	36
Gavril, A. F.	Nov. 24, 1953	Doric	36
Morrison, J. F.	Nov. 24, 1953	Doric	36
Vincent, A. W.	Dec. 8, 1953	Doric	36
Campbell, R. W.	Dec. 31, 1952	Birtle	39
McLachlan, J. L.	Dec. 16, 1953	Deloraine	40
Grant, A. T.	Jan. 2, 1953	Lebanon	43
Willox, J.	Jan. 2, 1953	Lebanon	43
Sills, J. D.	Jan. 2, 1953	Lebanon	43
Eyers, W. J.	Jan. 6, 1953	Lebanon	43
Burrell, C. F.	May 5, 1953	Lebanon	43
Snitka, D. S.	Oct. 6, 1953	Lebanon	43
Thody, J. E.	Dec. 1, 1953	Lebanon	43
Gowanlock, A. A.	Jan. 19, 1953	Glenboro	48
Stevenson, A. J. W.	Nov. 17, 1953	Temple	49
Draper, G. F.	Mar. 16, 1953	Killarney	50
Lumb, R. F.	Dec. 21, 1953	Killarney	50
Fraser, P. G.	May 22, 1953	Treherne	51
Matthewson, T.	Oct. 6, 1953	Hartney	52
Passmore, R. A. G.	Feb. 8, 1953	Oriental	54
Lang, F. J.	Dec. 31, 1953	Oriental	54
Nitikman, Max	Apr. 21, 1953	East Star	55
Westrus, B. J. S.	Apr. 14, 1953	Russell	62
Rothwell, W.	Nov. 10, 1953	Russell	62
Harvey, R.	Nov. 16, 1953	Wawanesa	67
Jakeman, S. P.	Dec. 4, 1951	Vermillion	68
Smith, A. G.	Jan. 1952	Vermillion	68
Easterbrook, W. J. A.	June 3, 1953	Vermillion	68
Dempsey, L. V.	Dec. 7, 1953	Vermillion	68
Ford, J. A. L.	Dec. 23, 1953	Vermillion	68
Borgstrom, E.	Dec. 14, 1953	Elkhorn	74
Norris, F. C.	Dec. 14, 1953	Elkhorn	74
Dodds, M. H.	Oct. 13, 1953	Elgin	86
Smith, J. L.	Feb. 4, 1953	Rathwell	87
Davies, J. J.	Dec. 21, 1953	Midlothian	90
Pollock, H. H.	Sept. 10, 1953	Shoal Lake	92
Fletcher, D. L.	Dec. 10, 1953	Shoal Lake	92
Lauman, G. A.	Dec. 10, 1953	Shoal Lake	92
Bater, S. W.	Jan. 21, 1953	King Edward	93
Engel, G. E.	Jan. 21, 1953	King Edward	93
Hughes, R. J. C.	Jan. 21, 1953	King Edward	93
Shewman, L. S.	Jan. 21, 1953	King Edward	93
Dunsmore, J. M.	Dec. 18, 1953	King Edward	93
Little, L. S.	Dec. 18, 1953	King Edward	93

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Stevely, J.	Dec. 24, 1953	King Edward	93
Munro, G. H.	Nov. 19, 1953	Hiram	94
Brown, R. D.	Dec. 21, 1953	Binscarth	101
Dawley, C. S.	June 25, 1953	Miniota	102
Benzie, F. J.	Mar. 12, 1953	Reston	104
Knudson, H. G.	Nov. 12, 1953	Reston	104
Ridgeway, E. R.	June 4, 1953	Prince Arthur	105
Hainstock, R. F.	Dec. 3, 1953	Prince Arthur	105
Hodgins, J. E.	Dec. 31, 1953	Prince Arthur	105
Hoey, J. H.	Feb. 5, 1953	Union	108
Watson, O. R.	Apr. 2, 1953	Union	108
Hoskins, E. R.	June 17, 1953	Swan Lake	109
Nixon, J. H.	Nov. 9, 1953	Kilwinning	110
Hardy, F. H.	Dec. 14, 1953	Kilwinning	110
Rigler, E. M.	Jan. 14, 1953	Acacia	111
Teasdale, G. W.	Jan. 14, 1953	Acacia	111
Brand, C. C.	Dec. 9, 1953	Acacia	111
Oddliefson, A. L.	Oct. 19, 1953	Ophir	112
Brook, J.	Nov. 16, 1953	Ophir	112
McLennan, C. L.	Nov. 16, 1953	Ophir	112
McKinstry, E.	Jan. 20, 1953	Tweed	113
Berrill, J. H.	Dec. 15, 1953	Tweed	113
Scott, C. W.	Dec. 15, 1953	Tweed	113
Wilson, E. F.	Dec. 1, 1953	"The Assiniboine"	114
Palliser, D. G.	Dec. 31, 1953	"The Assiniboine"	114
Suttie, C. M.	Dec. 7, 1953	St. Andrew's	116
Williams, H. L.	Oct. 27, 1953	Strathcona	117
Howard, H. F.	Mar. 25, 1953	Mound	118
Bissett, N. R.	Dec. 10, 1953	Mound	118
McIntosh, F. W.	Dec. 10, 1953	Mound	118
Lewick, M. T.	Apr. 9, 1953	Norwood	119
Vannick, J.	Feb. 12, 1953	Norwood	119
Sinclair, A. (Sr.)	Sept. 10, 1953	Norwood	119
Sinclair, A. (Jr.)	Oct. 8, 1953	Norwood	119
Doull, J.	Nov. 12, 1953	Norwood	119
Dowse, G. R.	Dec. 10, 1953	Norwood	119
Besant, L. R.	Dec. 10, 1953	Norwood	119
Rogers, J. E.	Dec. 10, 1953	Norwood	119
Wood, H. E.	Nov. 11, 1953	St. James	121
Rattray, G. W.	Dec. 9, 1953	St. James	121
Thornton, J. J.	Dec. 9, 1953	St. James	121
Thompson, A. E.	Sept. 4, 1953	Transcona	123
Moore, H.	Dec. 4, 1953	Transcona	123
Stewart, H. R.	Dec. 4, 1953	Transcona	123
Johnson, A. H.	Nov. 4, 1953	The Pas	124
Chapman, W. A.	Feb. 3, 1953	Favel	126
Baskier, E. J.	Dec. 2, 1953	Favel	126
Jamieson, H. G.	Dec. 2, 1953	Favel	126
Martin, M. S.	Sept. 14, 1953	Empire	127
Smith, S. M.	Sept. 14, 1953	Empire	127
Magley, E. W.	Nov. 9, 1953	Empire	127
Melvin, G.	Dec. 14, 1953	Empire	127

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Munro, J. A.	Dec. 14, 1953	Empire	127
Turner, R.	Dec. 14, 1953	Empire	127
Frost, H. J.	Sept. 9, 1953	Fort Garry	130
Lush, R. C.	Sept. 9, 1953	Fort Garry	130
Palmer, L.	Oct. 14, 1953	Fort Garry	130
Brown, A. M.	Oct. 14, 1953	Fort Garry	130
Fox, A. B.	Nov. 11, 1953	Fort Garry	130
Rimmer, L. S.	Nov. 11, 1953	Fort Garry	130
MacPherson, J. F.	Dec. 9, 1953	Fort Garry	130
Weston, J. C.	Dec. 9, 1953	Fort Garry	130
Helgason, J. S.	Dec. 9, 1953	McCreary	133
Squire, T. A.	Dec. 9, 1953	McCreary	133
Manchulenko, E. J.	Nov. 4, 1953	Stony Mountain	134
Pollock, F.	Dec. 2, 1953	Stony Mountain	134
Stevens, H. H.	Dec. 2, 1953	Stony Mountain	134
Walker, R. L.	Dec. 2, 1953	Stony Mountain	134
Griffith, H. A. S.	May 1, 1953	Capitol	136
Clegg, C. A.	Dec. 4, 1953	Capitol	136
Eggertson, A.	Dec. 4, 1953	Capitol	136
Pollitt, F. W.	Dec. 4, 1953	Capitol	136
Hicks, R. G.	Jan. 12, 1953	Windsor	138
Wood, J. H.	Nov. 9, 1953	Windsor	138
Wellman, C. T.	Dec. 14, 1953	Windsor	138
Jessup, H.	May 8, 1952	Beaver	139
Wilson, J. L.	Dec. 31, 1953	Beaver	139
Bashford, T. H.	Dec. 24, 1953	Meridian	140
Johnson, J. G.	Dec. 24, 1953	Meridian	140
Anderson, J. B. E.	Mar. 19, 1953	Harmony	142
Colvin, J.	Nov. 3, 1953	Fort Osborne	144
Geddes, Wm.	Nov. 3, 1953	Fort Osborne	144
Churchill, E. J.	Feb. 2, 1953	Sturgeon Creek	145
Connolly, J. A.	Sept. 14, 1953	Sturgeon Creek	145
Nash, W. N.	Dec. 7, 1953	Sturgeon Creek	145
Duncan, L. R.	Dec. 31, 1953	Fidelity	146
Burrows, T. F.	Oct. 9, 1953	Seven Oaks	148
Webb, F. H.	Dec. 11, 1953	Seven Oaks	148
Love, Jas.	Dec. 29, 1953	Seven Oaks	148
Cole, J. W.	Nov. 17, 1953	Cartwright	150
Henwood, L. M.	Nov. 17, 1953	Cartwright	150
Craig, C. F.	Apr. 21, 1953	Manitouwapa	156
Bjornson, C.	Dec. 15, 1953	Manitouwapa	156
Byron, K.	Dec. 15, 1953	Manitouwapa	156
Donaldson, J. T.	June 26, 1953	Fenwick	158
Boswell, H. C.	Oct. 23, 1953	Fenwick	158
Belfry, H. W.	Dec. 18, 1953	Fenwick	158
Prugh, W. A.	Dec. 18, 1953	Fenwick	158
Manning, C.	Dec. 1, 1953	Starbuck	160
Godard, G. C.	Apr. 1, 1953	Fort Prince of Wales	161
Smith, J. S.	Apr. 1, 1953	Fort Prince of Wales	161
Allen, J. B.	Apr. 13, 1953	Fort Prince of Wales	161
Woodworth, W. W.	May 19, 1953	Fort Prince of Wales	161
Wood, H. E.	Aug. 5, 1953	Fort Prince of Wales	161

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McCallum, C. A.	Dec. 30, 1953	Fort Prince of Wales	161
Eyford, T.	Oct. 27, 1953	Harry Woods	164
Maybank, R.	Nov. 5, 1953	Friendship	165
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1875	*Rev. W. C. Clarke	*Hon. W. N. Kennedy	*Jas. Henderson	*S. L. Bedson	*Col. Jno. Kennedy	*John H. Bell	*H. T. Champion	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1876	*Hon. W. N. Kennedy	*Jas. Henderson	*S. L. Bedson	*G. F. Newcomb	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*Jno. W. Harris	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1877	*G. F. Newcomb	*Jas. Henderson	*Jno. W. Harris	*E. G. Conklin	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*Col. Jno. Kennedy	*Rev. Canon S. P. Matheson
1878	*G. F. Newcomb	*Jno. W. Harris	*Simon Duffin	*F. T. Bradley	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*Col. Jno. Kennedy	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1879	*Rev. Canon S. P. Matheson	*Jno. W. Harris	*Simon Duffin	*R. McCuaig	†J. J. Johnston	*John H. Bell	*James Munroe	*Rev. James Flett
1880	*John H. Bell	*E. G. Conklin	*Hon. G. McMicken	*J. M. McGregor	†J. J. Johnston	*Wm. G. Scott	*D. G. Dick	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1881	*John H. Bell	*Wm. G. Scott	*D. B. Murray	*C. F. Forrest	†J. J. Johnston	*Jas. Henderson	*D. G. Dick	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1882	*John H. Bell	*Wm. G. Scott	*Alfred Pearson	*C. F. Forrest	†J. J. Johnston	H. D. P. Le Chappellain	*D. G. Dick	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1883	*John H. Bell	*D. B. Murray	*R. McCuaig	†John Smith	†J. J. Johnston	*Wm. G. Scott	*D. Young	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1884	*John H. Bell	*C. F. Forrest	*Rev. J. M. Wellwood	†N. J. Lindsay	†J. J. Johnston	*Wm. G. Scott	†Wm. Simpson	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1885	*C. F. Forrest	*Alfred Pearson	*Peter McGregor	†Thos. Colins	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*J. W. H. Wilson	*Rev. J. M. Wellwood
1886	*Alfred Pearson	*Peter McGregor	*J. W. H. Wilson	*J. K. Brydon	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*Wm. G. Bell	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1887	*Thomas Clark	†John A. Kerr	*James A. Ovas	*Wm. G. Bell	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*Jas. S. Greig	*Rev. Canon J.D O'Meara
1888	*Thomas Clark	*James A. Ovas	*Wm. G. Bell	*R. C. Brown	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	†Joseph Daniel	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara
1889	*Rev. Canon J. D. O'Meara	*Wm. G. Bell	*Thos. L. Morton	†Thos. McPherson	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*James A. Payne	Rev. Arthur W. Goulding
1890	*James A. Ovas	*Wm. G. Bell	†Thos. McPherson	*Fred L. Newman	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*R. W. Woodroofe	Rev. Arthur W. Goulding
1891	*Wm. G. Bell	*J. W. H. Wilson	*Rich'd D. Foley	*John Leslie	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*James G. Dagg	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton

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When Elected	Grand Masters	Deputy Grand Masters	Senior Grand Wardens	Junior Grand Wardens	Grand Treasurers	Grand Secretaries	Grand Registrars	Grand Chaplains
1892	*J. W. H. Wilson	*D. J. Goggin	*F. G. Lewin	*Thos. Robinson	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*Wm. A. Windatt	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton
1893	*D. J. Goggin	*Thos. Robinson	*Thos. Tweed	*Corbet Locke	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*J. H. Munson	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton
1894	*Thomas Tweed	*Charles N. Bell	*Corbet Locke	*Hugh U. Bain	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	†Rev. A. W. F. Cooper	*Rev. C. B. Pitblado
1895	*Charles N. Bell	*Corbet Locke	*John Leslie	*Geo. B. Murphy	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*John Chambers	*Rev. C. B. Pitblado
1896	*Corbet Locke	*John Leslie	*Fred L. Newman	†F. T. English	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	†C. N. Mitchell	*Rev. J. W. Matheson
1897	*Thomas Robinson	*Geo. B. Murphy	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton	†Wm. Crawford	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*J. O. Smith	*Rev. A. Chisholm
1898	*Geo. B. Murphy	*H. J. Eberts	*R. S. Thornton	*Wm. A. Windatt	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	*Edgar W. Rugg	†Rev. C. R. Littler
1899	*John Leslie	*R. S. Thornton	*W. A. Windatt	*S. B. Jamieson	*John McKechnie	*Wm. G. Scott	†J. A. Sutherland	†Rev. J. W. Muirhead
1900	*R. S. Thornton	*Rev. Wm. J. Garton	*Wm. Fenwick	*R. Hill Myers	*John McKechnie	*James A. Ovas	*E. A. Braithwaite	*Rev. A. B. Baird
1901	*R. S. Thornton	*R. Hill Myers	*E. A. Braithwaite	*Rev. A. Chisholm	*John McKechnie	*James A. Ovas	*James M. Suttie	*Rev. A. B. Baird
1902	*R. Hill Myers	*E. A. Braithwaite	*Rev. A. Chisholm	*Geo. W. Baker	*John McKechnie	*James A. Ovas	†Geo. H. Webster	†Rev. Geo. H. Webb
1903	*E. A. Braithwaite	*Rev. A. Chisholm	*Wm. G. Scott	*H. H. Campkin	*John McKechnie	*James A. Ovas	*R. P. Crookshank	†Rev. Geo. H. Webb
1904	*Rev. A. Chisholm	*Wm. G. Scott	*H. H. Campkin	*James Scroggie	*John McKechnie	*James A. Ovas	†O. E. S. Whiteside	Rev. John Wells
1905	*Wm. G. Scott	*H. H. Campkin	*James Scroggie	*Henry J. Pugh	*John McKechnie	*James A. Ovas	*John R. Grant	†Rev. Geo. H. Hogbie
1906	*John McKechnie	*James Scroggie	*Henry J. Pugh	*James D. Baine	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*Arthur H. Smith	*Rev. Jas. L. Gordon
1907	*James Scroggie	*Henry J. Pugh	*James D. Baine	*John Wemyss	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*Robert Magness	*Rev. Jas. L. Gordon
1908	*Henry J. Pugh	*James D. Baine	*John Wemyss	*Wm. Chambers	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*A. N. Macpherson	Rev. Thos. Neville

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1909	*James D. Baine	*Geo. W. Baker	*John Wemyss	*Wm.Chambers	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*Joseph Greenfield	*Rev. Wm. Robertson
1910	*Geo. W. Baker	*John Wemyss	*Wm. Chambers	*Ed. M.Walker	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*Jas. E. Maynard	*Rev. Wm. Robertson
1911	*John Wemyss	*Wm. Chambers	*Ed. M. Walker	*Lynds S. Vaughan	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*R. W. A. Rolph	Rev. Frederick W. Goodeve
1912	*Wm. Chambers	*Ed. M. Walker	*Lynds S. Vaughan	*Henry E. Bletcher	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*John Colwell	Rev. Frederick W. Goodeve
1913	*Ed. M. Walker	*Lynds S. Vaughan	*Henry E. Bletcher	*Percy E. Kellett	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*Robert L. Ross	Rev. Sydney D. Thomas
1914	*Lynds S. Vaughan	*William Fenwick	*Henry E. Bletcher	*Percy E. Kellett	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*J. M. Robinson	*Rev. Peter E. Scott
1915	*William Fenwick	*Henry E. Bletcher	*Percy E. Kellett	Ed. T. Greenway	*T. Harry Webb	*James A. Ovas	*Jno. Macwhirter	*Rev. Thos. G. Bethell
1916	*Henry E. Bletcher	*Percy E. Kellett	Ed. T. Greenway	*Alex. McIntyre	*James G. Dagg	*James A. Ovas	C. F. Hasselfield	*Rev. James S. Miller
1917	*Percy E. Kellett	Ed. T. Greenway	*Alex. McIntyre	Albert J. Hatcher	*James G. Dagg	*James A. Ovas	*Jno. J Jackson	*Rev. Thos. G. Bethell
1918	Ed. T. Greenway	*Alex. McIntyre	Albert J. Hatcher	*Geo. N. Jackson	*James G. Dagg	*James A. Ovas		*Rev. Thos. G. Bethell
1919	*Alex. McIntyre	Albert J. Hatcher	*Geo. N. Jackson	*Rev. A. B. Baird	*Wm. J. Major	*James A. Ovas		Rev. James W. Anderson
1920	Albert J. Hatcher	*Geo. N. Jackson	*Rev. A. B. Baird	*Wm. J. Major	*Jabez Miller	*James A. Ovas		*Rev. Chas. E. Somerset
1921	*Geo. N. Jackson	*Rev. A. B. Baird	*Wm. J. Major	Jas. S. MacEwing	*Jabez Miller	*James A. Ovas		*Rev. Chas. E. Somerset
1922	*Rev. A. B. Baird	*Wm. J. Major	Jas. S. MacEwing	A. L. Crossin	*Jabez Miller	*James A. Ovas		*Rev. Chas. E. Somerset
1923	*Wm. J. Major	Jas. S. MacEwing	Albert L. Crossin	*J. C. Walker Reid	*Jabez Miller	*James A. Ovas		†Rev. Wm. C. Cunningham
1924	Jas. S. MacEwing	Albert L. Crossin	*J. C. Walker Reid	*Jabez Miller	*James Mackie	*James A. Ovas		†Rev. Wm. C. Cunningham
1925	Albert L. Crossin	*J. C. Walker Reid	*Jabez Miller	*Murdo A. Whimster	*James Mackie	*James A. Ovas		*Rev. Andrew T. Norquay

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1926	*J. C. Walker Reid	*Jabez Miller	*Murdo A. Whimster	William Douglas	*James Mackie	*James A. Ovas		*Rev. Andrew T. Norquay
1927	*Jabez Miller	*Murdo A. Whimster	William Douglas	*George Hunter	*James Mackie	*James A. Ovas		*Rev. George W. Findlay
1928	*Murdo A. Whimster	William Douglas	*George Hunter	Norman J. Black	*Wm. M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas		*Rev. George W. Findlay
1929	William Douglas	*George Hunter	Norman J. Black	David S. Woods	*Wm. M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas		*Rev. George W. Findlay
1930	*George Hunter	Norman J. Black	David S. Woods	*James Mackie	*Wm. M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas		Rev. G. A. Woodside
1931	Norman J. Black	David S. Woods	*James Mackie	*Henry L. Adolph	*Wm. M. Bannatyne	*James A. Ovas		Rev. G. A. Woodside
1932	David S. Woods	*James Mackie	*Henry L. Adolph	Royal Burritt	*Alex Burgess	*James A. Ovas		Rt. Rev. W. W. H. Thomas
1933	*James Mackie	*Henry L. Adolph	Royal Burritt	*Harry Woods	*Alex. Burgess	*James A. Ovas		Rt. Rev. W. W. H. Thomas
1934	*Henry L. Adolph	Royal Buritt	*Harry Woods	*John T. Boyd	*Alex. Burgess	*James A. Ovas		†Rev. George R. Calvert
1935	Royal Burritt	*Harry Woods	*John T. Boyd	Robert Hawkins	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		†Bishop George R. Calvert
1936	*Harry Woods	*John T. Boyd	Robert Hawkins	W. D. Lawrence	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		Rev. Thomas Neville
1937	*John T. Boyd	Robert Hawkins	W. D. Lawrence	*J. J. Henderson	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		*Rev. Harry Sherstone
1938	Robert Hawkins	W. D. Lawrence	*J. J. Henderson	†BishopG.R.Calvert	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		*Rev. Harry Sherstone
1939	W. D. Lawrence	*J. J. Henderson	†BishopG.R.Calvert	S. H. Fahrni	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		*Rev. P. T. Pilkey
1940	*J. J. Henderson	†BishopG.R.Calvert	S. H. Fahrni	*Ben C. Parker	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		*Rev. P. T. Pilkey
1941	†BishopG.R.Calvert	S. H. Fahrni	*Ben. C. Parker	Sam Burland	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		*Rev. P. T. Pilkey
1942	S. H. Fahrni	*Ben. C. Parker	Sam Burland	*Dr. P. T. Pilkey	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		Rev. J. L. McInnis

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1943	*Ben C. Parker	Sam Burland	*Dr. P. T. Pilkey	M. S. Donovan	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		Rev. J. L. McInnis
1944	Sam. Burland	*Dr. P. T. Pilkey	M. S. Donovan	H. B. Donnelly	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		Rev. H. B. Wallace
1945	*Dr. P. T. Pilkey	M. S. Donovan	H. B. Donnelly	W. C. McDonald	*Alex. Burgess	*J. H. G. Russell		Rev. H. B. Wallace
1946	M. S. Donovan	H. B. Donnelly	W. C. McDonald	Harry Coddington	*Alex. Burgess	*Dr. P. T. Pilkey		†Rev. E. A. Syms
1947	H. B. Donnelly	W. C. McDonald	Harry Coddington	Chas. E. Cole	*Alex. Burgess	*Dr. P. T. Pilkey		†Rev. E. A. Syms
1948	W. C. McDonald	Harry Coddington	Chas. E. Cole	*Hugh A. Innes	W. Percy White	*Dr. P. T. Pilkey		Rev. R. S. Montgomery
1949	Harry Coddington	Chas. E. Cole	*Hugh A. Innes	G. A. McMorran	W. Percy White	*Dr. P. T. Pilkey		Rev. R. S. Montgomery
1950	Chas. E. Cole	F. H. Blythe	G. A. McMorran	H. H. Gray	W. Percy White	Harry Coddington		Rev. Canon Fredk. Hughes
1951	F. H. Blythe	G. A. McMorran	H. H. Gray	J. R. C. Evans	W. Percy White	Harry Coddington		Rev. Canon Fredk. Hughes
1952	G. A. McMorran	H. H. Gray	J. R. C. Evans	R. E. Emmett	W. Percy White	T. C. Jackson		†Rev. H. L. Newton
1953	H. H. Gray	J. R. C. Evans	R. E. Emmett	J. F. Irwin	W. Percy White	T. C. Jackson		†Rev. H. L. Newton
1954	J. R. C. Evans	R. E. Emmett	J. F. Irwin	D. Rothstein	W. Percy White	T. C. Jackson		Rev. J. E. Cooper

*Dead †Removed from Jurisdiction

LODGE DIRECTORY

No.	Name of Lodge	P.O. Address	Master	Secretary	Time of Regular Meeting
1	Prince Rupert's	Winnipeg	R. K. Adams	W. K. Mulock	Third Tuesday
2	Lisgar	Selkirk	R. M. Stewart	G. D. Bain	Third Tuesday
A — 3	Ancient Landmark	Winnipeg	T. J. F. Reynolds	K. L. Bardal	Third Monday
A — 4	St. John's	Winnipeg	J. A. Cooney	T. L. Dodsworth	First Wednesday
6	Emerson	Emerson	A. H. Milne	K. C. R. Coulter	Third Thursday
7	Assiniboine	Portage la Prairie	H. J. Lamoureaux	R. A. Price	Third Monday
8	King Solomon	Morris	H. R. Clow	O. B. Cossitt	Second Tuesday
10	Northern Light	Winnipeg	C. G. Harris	Jas. Souter	Third Thursday
A — 11	Gladstone	Gladstone	J. M. Ferguson	Clement Wallis	Second Monday
12	Stonewall	Stonewall	J. S. Whitehead	M. R. Good	Second Thursday
13	Morden	Morden	F. S. Westwood	G. H. Bray	Third Thursday
14	Prince of Wales	Minnedosa	J. Kosmolak	E. Kitchingman	Second Thursday
15	Corinthian	Rapid City	L. E. Thompson	J. G. Shand	First Tuesday
19	Brandon	Brandon	R. G. Crookshank	A. G. Warr	Second Tuesday
21	Marquette	Portage la Prairie	H. F. Giffin	G. G. Grigg	Fourth Monday
A — 24	Neepawa	Neepawa	J. D. McLaren	A. Clark	Second Tuesday
25	Ionic	Winnipeg	R. T. Comrie	E. L. Hardie	First Monday
27	Glenwood	Souris	W. P. Groves	J. A. Leslie	Fourth Friday
29	Carberry	Carberry	A. E. Harburn	J. C. Marnock	Tuesday on or before full moon
30	Manitou	Manitou	C. S. Hancock	C. L. Sanders	First Wednesday
36	Doric	Boissevain	C. F. McCullagh	T. E. Fleming	Fourth Tuesday
39	Birtle	Birtle	J. W. Ewbank	W. J. Brown	Third Monday
40	Deloraine	Deloraine	W. R. Conner	J. A. Whitlaw	Third Wednesday
43	Lebanon	Virden	N. Mooney	C. Moore	First Tuesday
44	Oak Lake	Oak Lake	L. W. Pearsall	J. D. Bell	Second Thursday
A — 48	Glenboro	Glenboro	J. McTaggart	W. Oliphant	Second Tuesday
49	Temple	MacGregor	L. B. Patterson	H. I. Collins	Third Tuesday
50	Killarney	Killarney	H. C. Bate	J. C. Bate	Third Monday
51	Treherne	Treherne	G. F. Wray	L. E. Staples	Friday on or before full moon
52	Hartney	Hartney	R. A. Gibson	J. L. Crowe	First Tuesday
54	Oriental	Melita	J. Northam	C. E. Cornish	Fourth Tuesday
55	East Star	Gretna	J. E. Kehler	P. Schuppert	Second Tuesday
62	Russell	Russell	R. Nickle	D. R. McDonald	Second Tuesday
63	Holland	Holland	C. J. Hutchings	Jas. Murray	Second Wednesday
64	Composite	Alexander	H. J. Hill	L. W. Skinner	Third Thursday
A — 67	Wawanesa	Wawanesa	M. E. McKellar	H. J. Williams	Third Monday
68	Vermillion	Dauphin	B. B. Anderson	J. A. Shields	First Tuesday
70	Shiloh	Roland	C. L. Cameron	V. H. Hugo	Second Thursday

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No.	Name of Lodge	P.O. Address	Master	Secretary	Time of Regular Meeting
71	Crystal	Crystal City	L. E. Breault	G. S. Mutch	Second Tuesday
74	Elkhorn	Elkhorn	B. Ferris	F. J. Hall	Second Monday
75	Gothic	Austin	G. M. Hay	A. Johnston	Second Wednesday
77	Napinka	Napinka	J. H. Breakey	J. S. Holland	First Thursday
A — 82	Cypress	Cypress River	T. B. Kenyon	R. I. Connon	Fourth Monday
84	Hamiota	Hamiota	Robt. Watt	F. J. Coombs	Fourth Tuesday
86	Elgin	Elgin	J. W. Hammond	E. J. Smillie	Second Tuesday
87	Rathwell	Rathwell	W. G. Wilson	A. H. Macdonald	First Tuesday
90	Midlothian	Miami	W. H. Armitage	A. C. Orchard	Third Monday
A — 92	Shoal Lake	Shoal Lake	D. J. Lawson	C. W. McLean	Second Thursday
93	King Edward	Winnipeg	E. Ballendine	F. C. Davey	Third Wednesday
94	Hiram	Grandview	J. T. White	D. N. McIntyre	Third Thursday
100	Robbie Burns	Gilbert Plains	W. J. Hart	C. F. Shaw	Second Wednesday
101	Binscarth	Binscarth	J. N. Braendle	M. E. Clegg	Third Monday
102	Miniota	Miniota	R. G. Mitchell	W. H. Yarwood	Fourth Thursday
103	Crescent	Elm Creek	F. G. Tully	J. R. Ivey	First Wednesday
104	Reston	Reston	F. C. McMurchy	John Cuthill	Second Thursday
105	Prince Arthur	Swan River	R. H. J. Loat	John Livesey	First Thursday
106	Strathclair	Strathclair	W. L. McKay	H. W. Clark	Third Tuesday
107	Lansdowne	Griswold	J. Donogh	W. D. Griggs	Fourth Wednesday
108	Union	Brookdale	H. B. Dennis	Robt. Barrett	Third Thursday
A —109	Swan Lake	Swan Lake	H. E. Foster	G. O. Couch	Third Wednesday
110	Kilwinning	Minto	R. E. Fleming	H. V. Popple	Second Monday
A —111	Acacia	Winnipeg	D. H. MacKay	Wm. Dewar	Second Wednesday
112	Ophir	Beausejour	A. S. Williams	B. Warkentin	Third Monday
113	Tweed	Brandon	E. J. Falconer	H. S. Perdue	Third Tuesday
114	"The Assiniboine"	Winnipeg	E. J. W. Akins	O. E. MacQuoid	First Tuesday
115	Rivers	Rivers	Thos. Smith	E. C. Smith	Last Monday
116	St. Andrew's	Wellwood	J. S. Titus	G. W. Wells	First Monday
117	Strathcona	Belmont	M. G. Kelly	R. D. Saunders	Fourth Tuesday
118	Mound	Pilot Mound	D. S. Later	R. E. Hicks	Fourth Thursday
119	Norwood	Norwood	E. Craven	W. M. Summers	Second Thursday
120	Penza	Dominion City	F. Casper	H. T. Kelly	Fourth Tuesday
121	St. James	St. James	R. G. Turnbull	E. S. Reeves	Second Wednesday
122	Roblin	Roblin	Jack Haines	H. Maslove	Second Monday
123	Transcona	Transcona	H. J. MacKay	F. G. Turner	First Friday
124	The Pas	The Pas	L. G. Williams	Wm. Howie	First Thursday
125	Patricia	Sperling	W. G. Last	J. J. Tjaden	First Wednesday
126	Favel	Minitonas	George Hunter	G. D. Bertram	First Tuesday

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127	Empire	Winnipeg	H. C. Paulley	A. D. Adamson	Second Monday
128	Victory	Benito	A. F. Scouten	H. S. Tax	Third Wednesday
130	Fort Garry	Winnipeg	E. McPherson	W. D. G. Runions	Second Wednesday
131	Kildonan	East Kildonan	R. Weatherston	C. H. Cook	Second Tuesday
132	Sprague	Sprague	Jack Mills	Thos. McCarthy	First Wednesday
133	McCreary	McCreary	J. E. Becker	Jas. Crout	Second Wednesday
134	Stony Mountain	Stony Mountain	H. A. Taylor	Thos. Hartley	First Wednesday
136	Capitol	Winnipeg	F. J. Robertson	W. J. Law	First Friday
137	Lord Selkirk	Winnipeg	J. Todd	G. R. Mackay	Second Wednesday
138	Windsor	St. Vital	H. Pilling	J. B. McClure	Second Monday
139	Beaver	Winnipeg	D. M. Sclanders	F. H. Herbert	Second Thursday
140	Meridian	Winnipeg	J. M. E. Rewcastle	A. C. Cabel	Third Thursday
141	Tuscan	Winnipeg	S. H. Allen	N. C. Law	Second Friday—a.m.
142	Harmony	Cardale	N. S. McTavish	E. A. Corbett	Third Thursday
143	Mount Sinai	Winnipeg	L. Fineman	M. A. Nitikman	Fourth Thursday
A —144	Fort Osborne	Winnipeg	C. F. Kilpatrick	A. Laidlaw	First Tuesday
145	Sturgeon Creek	Sturgeon Creek	D. S. Simpson	L. D. Bester	First Monday
146	Fidelity	Winnipeg	K. A. M. Sutton	Wm. Wilson	First Friday
147	Jubilee	Bowsman	A. S. Ruddock	H. A. Caughlin	Second Thursday
148	Seven Oaks	West Kildonan	W. R. Munroe	A. C. Pritchard	Second Friday
150	Cartwright	Cartwright	H. J. McKay	W. G. Kilpatrick	Third Tuesday
151	The Dormer	East Kildonan	G. K. Parson	R. W. Ross	First Tuesday
152	Foxwarren	Foxwarren	S. J. Stitt	W. E. Hall	First Wednesday
153	Flin Flon	Flin Flon	M. G. Laing	W. A. Young	First Tuesday
154	Pine Falls	Pine Falls	L. E. Seebach	B. H. Campbell	Second Friday
155	Carman	Carman	Robt. Bingham	R. C. Metcalfe	Third Tuesday
156	Manitouwapa	Moosehorn	S. Schwartz	D. McFadyen	Third Tuesday
157	Rice Lake	Bissett	C. F. Caswell	G. H. Lucas	First Friday
158	Fenwick	Brandon	H. N. Udell	H. M. Kerr	Fourth Friday
159	Newdale	Newdale	W. P. Everitt	W. J. Lawrence	First Thursday
160	Starbuck	Starbuck	W. L. Baldwin	F. L. Topham	Fourth Thursday
161	Fort Prince of Wales	Churchill	N. G. Greasley	H. C. Boswell	First Wednesday
162	Ashlar	Norwood	J. M. Taylor	G. E. Winter	First Tuesday
163	Charleswood	Charleswood	H. R. Sanderson	R. F. Steinhoff	Second Monday
164	Harry Woods	Lundar	G. Paulson	G. J. Breckman	Fourth Tuesday
165	Friendship	Fort Garry	G. M. Farwell	H. C. Wolfe	First Thursday
166	Woodworth	Kenton	A. T. Grant	W. Wright	Second Wednesday
167	Menorah	Winnipeg	H. Bookhalter	M. H. Tatelman	First Wednesday

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No.	NAME OF LODGE	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Affiliated	Reinstated	Demitted	Suspended N.P.D.	Suspended U.M.C.	Died	Membership Dec. 31, 1952	Adjustments	Membership Dec. 31, 1953
1	Prince Rupert's	9	16	19	6	3	3	2	0	14	431	..	430
2	Lisgar	8	11	11	0	1	3	1	0	6	192	..	191
3	Ancient Landmark	16	17	9	0	3	2	2	0	10	382	..	387
4	St. John's	15	12	11	0	2	5	0	0	21	618	..	609
6	Emerson	2	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	74	..	77
7	Assiniboine	14	14	14	3	0	15	1	0	4	300	..	297
8	King Solomon	3	3	3	1	1	0	0	0	2	80	..	83
10	Northern Light	12	13	14	0	1	4	1	0	7	351	..	352
11	Gladstone	8	7	9	5	1	4	2	0	1	94	..	101
12	Stonewall	3	3	3	0	0	3	1	0	3	130	..	126
13	Morden	2	3	2	0	0	7	0	0	4	89	..	80
14	Prince of Wales	4	4	5	1	0	1	4	0	4	121	..	117
15	Corinthian	2	2	2	0	0	1	0	0	3	71	..	69
19	Brandon	9	11	12	3	0	0	0	0	4	254	..	262
24	Neepawa	3	3	3	1	0	2	2	0	4	169	..	165
25	Ionic	19	20	21	0	1	3	4	0	17	649	..	645
27	Glenwood	2	3	3	0	1	4	1	0	6	166	..	158
29	Carberry	3	3	3	2	0	0	1	0	0	71	..	75
30	Manitou	5	4	3	0	1	2	0	0	1	70	..	73
36	Doric	3	1	2	1	0	5	1	0	2	125	..	121
39	Birtle	3	4	3	3	0	1	0	0	1	65	..	69
40	Deloraine	2	1	1	0	0	1	2	0	0	91	..	90
43	Lebanon	8	7	7	2	0	7	2	0	3	101	..	99
44	Oak Lake	2	2	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	40	..	41
48	Glenboro	2	2	2	0	0	1	1	0	2	67	..	65
49	Temple	2	2	2	1	0	1	2	0	2	79	..	77
50	Killarney	5	5	6	1	1	2	0	0	2	76	..	79
51	Treherne	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	68	..	67
52	Hartney	2	2	3	2	0	1	1	0	3	107	..	106
54	Oriental	4	4	4	3	1	2	1	0	0	77	..	82

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No.	NAME OF LODGE	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Affiliated	Re-instated	De-mitted	Sus-pended N.P.D.	Sus-pended U.M.C.	Died	Member-ship Dec. 31, 1952	Adjust-ments	Member-ship Dec. 31, 1953
55	East Star	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	2	51	..	50
62	Russell	2	1	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	72	..	73
63	Holland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	62	..	61
64	Composite	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	59	..	58
67	Wawanesa	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	68	..	65
68	Vermillion	11	10	10	1	0	5	5	0	9	204	−2	195
70	Shiloh	2	1	1	1	2	0	2	0	1	76	..	78
71	Crystal	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	88	..	89
74	Elkhorn	1	1	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	47	..	47
75	Gothic	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	59	..	57
77	Napinka	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	59	..	60
82	Cypress	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	44	..	43
84	Hamiota	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	79	..	80
86	Elgin	2	3	2	0	0	1	0	0	3	68	..	66
87	Rathwell	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	27	..	28
90	Midlothian	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	5	71	..	64
92	Shoal Lake	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	77	..	74
93	King Edward	17	17	16	1	1	7	0	0	6	310	..	316
94	Hiram	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	3	92	..	90
100	Robbie Burns	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	36	..	34
101	Binscarth	1	1	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	33	..	32
102	Miniota	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	55	..	53
103	Crescent	1	1	2	0	1	0	2	0	1	91	..	90
104	Reston	4	4	4	1	0	2	1	0	5	177	..	174
105	Prince Arthur	5	4	4	1	2	3	2	0	1	104	..	106
106	Strathclair	1	3	3	1	1	0	1	0	0	59	..	61
107	Lansdowne	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	50	..	49
108	Union	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	52	..	52
109	Swan Lake	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	44	..	45
110	Kilwinning	2	2	2	1	0	2	2	0	0	58	..	57

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No.	NAME OF LODGE	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Affiliated	Reinstated	Demitted	Suspended N.P.D.	Suspended U.M.C.	Died	Membership Dec. 31, 1952	Adjustments	Membership Dec. 31, 1953
111	Acacia	12	13	16	1	2	3	2	0	2	322	..	330
112	Ophir	2	2	2	4	2	3	0	0	1	87	..	91
113	Tweed	16	15	15	2	1	3	3	0	3	268	..	278
114	"The Assiniboine"	16	12	13	1	0	2	2	0	7	371	..	377
115	Rivers	7	7	7	0	1	0	0	0	0	105	..	113
116	St. Andrew's	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	39	..	38
117	Strathcona	2	2	3	0	2	1	0	0	1	63	..	65
118	Mound	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	4	80	..	74
119	Norwood	21	22	21	6	0	8	3	0	9	306	..	313
120	Penza	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	2	56	..	55
121	St. James	15	15	16	2	0	3	1	0	5	285	..	293
122	Roblin	2	2	1	0	1	0	5	0	2	70	..	66
123	Transcona	4	2	2	0	0	3	0	0	3	169	..	167
124	The Pas	10	11	9	1	0	1	0	0	2	136	..	144
125	Patricia	3	4	3	1	0	0	0	0	3	53	..	54
126	Favel	1	1	1	0	0	3	3	0	3	57	..	49
127	Empire	13	14	17	1	0	6	0	0	2	203	..	209
128	Victory	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	54	..	54
130	Fort Garry	25	27	15	4	1	8	1	0	7	327	..	341
131	Kildonan	8	9	12	1	1	0	0	0	5	137	..	142
132	Sprague	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	..	33
133	McCreary	2	2	3	3	0	2	0	0	4	55	..	54
134	Stony Mountain	4	4	4	1	2	4	0	0	2	80	..	81
136	Capitol	26	26	26	3	0	4	4	0	3	301	..	319
137	Lord Selkirk	16	12	13	7	1	0	2	0	3	150	..	169
138	Windsor	17	16	21	4	0	3	0	0	2	228	..	244
139	Beaver	13	9	10	1	1	2	5	0	4	306	..	310
140	Meridian	20	17	17	4	1	2	5	0	11	393	..	400
141	Tuscan	6	6	7	1	1	0	0	0	2	108	..	114
142	Harmony	2	3	3	0	0	1	0	0	1	36	..	36

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No.	NAME OF LODGE	Initiated	Passed	Raised	Affiliated	Reinstated	Demitted	Suspended N.P.D.	Suspended U.M.C.	Died	Membership Dec. 31, 1952	Adjustments	Membership Dec. 31, 1953
143	Mt. Sinai	15	14	16	0	0	0	1	0	4	338	..	348
144	Fort Osborne	13	12	12	1	1	2	0	0	2	229	..	240
145	Sturgeon Creek	14	15	15	3	0	3	1	0	1	163	..	175
146	Fidelity	23	14	15	3	3	1	0	0	9	280	..	299
147	Jubilee	7	7	9	1	0	0	0	0	0	63	..	71
148	Seven Oaks	10	7	9	1	2	3	1	0	3	132	..	138
150	Cartwright	5	5	5	1	0	2	0	0	0	40	..	44
151	The Dormer	8	8	8	1	0	0	0	0	1	119	..	127
152	Foxwarren	4	4	4	2	0	0	0	0	1	36	..	41
153	Flin Flon	8	8	13	1	0	0	1	0	4	167	..	171
154	Pine Falls	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	75	..	77
155	Carman	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	84	..	86
156	Manitouwapa	3	2	1	2	0	3	1	0	0	69	..	70
157	Rice Lake	2	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	46	..	49
158	Fenwick	8	16	17	10	0	4	0	0	1	137	..	150
159	Newdale	3	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	..	36
160	Starbuck	7	5	5	0	0	1	0	0	0	60	..	66
161	Fort Prince of Wales	21	21	22	5	0	7	16	0	0	84	−4	83
162	Ashlar	8	8	8	2	0	0	0	0	0	54	..	64
163	Charleswood	6	5	5	1	0	0	0	0	1	58	..	64
164	Harry Woods	4	4	4	1	0	1	0	0	0	60	..	64
165	Friendship	12	13	18	9	0	2	0	0	0	76	..	95
166	Woodworth	7	7	9	3	0	0	0	0	0	23	..	33
	U.D. Marquette	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	......	..	32
	Charter Members, U.D. Lodge	......	......	......	......	....	......	......	..	......	33	..	......
	Totals	691	673	697	146	50	213	108	0	301	14917	−6	15176

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE FIRST MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1953.

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D.G.M.	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
1	Prince Rupert's	9	5	14	137	293	70	16	143.50	310.00	1,180.97	956.44	19,951.53	2,300.00	Active	1	Rent
3	Ancient Landmark	9	8	17	104	283	82	29	372.00	25.00	1,386.72	646.10	35,776.86	2,900.00	Active	1	Rent
4	St. John's	9	13	22	156	453	85	26	338.00		4,319.03	790.00	39,254.19	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
10	Northern Light	9	4	13	92	260	65	13	126.00	286.00	2,037.71	143.00	15,830.39	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
25	Ionic	10	14	24	180	465	112	49	746.75	236.14	1,163.70	1,662.50	63,036.89	2,500.00	Active	1	Rent
93	King Edward	9	5	14	79	237	72	12	138.00	211.97	1,788.56	614.00	9,427.31	500.00	Active	1	Rent
111	Acacia	9	8	17	61	269	37	31	339.00	75.00		908.47	18,241.53	1,500.00	Active	1	P. Own.
114	"The Assiniboine"	10	3	13	90	287	82	3	38.00	166.00	1,464.34		19,465.34	1,500.00	Active	1	Rent
119	Norwood	9	14	23	49	264	78	17	214.00	279.00	530.31	350.00	13,738.43	19,000.00	Active	1	Own
121	St. James	9	8	17	55	238	74	23	210.00	393.85	689.73	391.00	15,733.73	3,500.00	Active	1	Rent
127	Empire	9	14	23	32	177	60	27	348.00	693.00	1,069.37		13,531.23	6,000.00	Active	1	Own
162	Ashlar	9	11	20	4	60	31	2	20.00		1,637.87	425.55	1,960.32	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
165	Friendship	9	6	15	8	87	43	3	24.00		1,427.06	428.25	1,755.34	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE SECOND MASONIC DISTRICT, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1953.

7	Assiniboine	10	17	27	102	182	70	41	361.00	95.90	917.45		15,906.40	34,000.00	Active	1	Own
11	Gladstone	12	3	15	37	64	38	8	68.00	62.40	402.22		7,252.22	6,000.00	Active	1	Own
24	Neepawa	10	4	14	68	97	40	11	130.00	55.00	851.89	1,860.65	4,491.24	1,500.00	Active	1	Rent
29	Carberry	10	1	11	31	44	21	4	38.00	64.80	63.52		3,863.52	3,000.00	Active	1	Own
49	Temple	12	2	14	33	44	30	29	203.00	100.00	114.00	581.00	6,683.00	7,000.00	Active	1	Own
75	Gothic	11	0	11	25	32	15	7	49.00		165.51		2,365.51	2,500.00	Active	1	Own
108	Union	11	1	12	21	31	15	8	66.00	70.00	671.79		2,607.54	3,000.00	Active	1	Own
116	St. Andrew's	11	1	12	22	16	12	7	54.00	27.00	87.57	800.00	3,662.57	5,000.00	Active	1	Own
133	McCreary	12	1	13	18	36	20	12	140.00	45.00	358.33	200.00	4,698.33	4,400.00	Active	1	Own

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE THIRD MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1953.

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver-Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
48	Glenboro	10	2	12	23	42	22	3	28.00	66.62	595.82	....	945.82	700.00	Active	1	Rent
51	Treherne	10	1	11	22	45	22	4	56.00	18.00	107.39	2,300.00	5,507.39	5,000.00	Active	1	Own
63	Holland	10	0	10	27	34	18	5	30.00	....	391.98	....	1,879.44	400.00	Active	1	Rent
67	Wawanesa	10	2	12	22	43	28	7	112.50	26.80	254.98	....	1,054.98	350.00	Active	1	Rent
82	Cypress	9	2	11	15	28	12	9	84.00	....	556.00	....	1,206.00	600.00	Active	1	Rent
87	Rathwell	9	0	9	10	18	12	3	16.00	....	777.53	....	1,070.68	300.00	Active	1	Rent
103	Crescent	9	1	10	27	63	35	8	48.00	72.34	689.21	....	2,589.37	800.00	Active	1	Rent
109	Swan Lake	11	1	12	14	31	20	7	108.00	....	149.33	....	2,849.33	2,000.00	Active	1	Own
117	Strathcona	12	0	12	20	45	25	6	55.00	124.59	797.25	....	3,752.25	690.00	Active	1	Rent
160	Starbuck	11	0	11	3	63	32	0	....	....	2,149.54	....	2,899.54	750.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE FOURTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1953.

13	Morden	10	3	13	32	48	17	12	109.50	209.95	1,265.96	....	2,210.96	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
30	Manitou	11	3	14	24	49	25	3	22.00	....	626.63	500.00	4,476.63	3,450.00	Active	1	Own
36	Doric	11	2	13	39	82	30	19	133.00	75.00	1,231.00	1,750.00	11,981.00	12,000.00	Active	1	Own
50	Killarney	12	2	14	23	56	22	7	49.00	....	468.02	....	3,218.02	250.00	Active	1	Rent
71	Crystal	12	3	15	26	63	33	16	96.00	99.91	111.69	....	1,311.69	200.00	Active	1	Rent
118	Mound	11	4	15	16	58	20	8	81.00	78.60	68.07	44.00	7,724.07	3,000.00	Active	1	Own
150	Cartwright	10	0	10	26	18	14	4	42.00	94.75	1,124.83	....	1,424.83	200.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE FIFTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1953.

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D.G.M.	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
14	Prince of Wales	10	3	13	58	59	31	15	162.00	115.00	390.64	120.52	8,872.12	9,500.00	Active	1	Own
15	Corinthian	12	3	15	6	63	20	11	120.00	45.00	289.75	....	5,519.75	3,600.00	Active	1	Own
39	Birtle	10	2	12	21	48	27	10	65.00	10.80	478.94	....	6,543.94	8,000.00	Active	1	Own
62	Russell	10	2	12	21	52	29	10	96.50	29.00	71.24	....	5,971.24	5,200.00	Active	1	Own
84	Hamiota	12	0	12	13	67	25	6	57.00	13.52	589.87	....	1,339.87	250.00	Active	1	Rent
92	Shoal Lake	8	0	8	46	28	11	17	210.00	20.00	606.87	55.00	2,905.87	1,500.00	Active	1	Own
101	Binscarth	11	1	12	9	23	10	7	112.00	....	45.73	90.00	705.73	750.00	Active	1	Rent
102	Miniota	10	2	12	28	25	15	5	35.00	24.22	251.64	....	4,255.81	3,625.00	Active	1	Own
106	Strathclair	12	1	13	22	38	19	5	48.75	15.00	278.47	48.25	3,785.24	3,000.00	Active	1	Own
115	Rivers	10	1	11	47	66	27	19	143.75	....	559.01	....	7,844.41	10,800.00	Active	1	Own
142	Harmony	11	1	12	13	23	12	2	12.50	....	280.92	....	780.92	500.00	Active	1	Rent
152	Foxwarren	12	1	13	17	24	18	5	42.00	....	518.39	....	1,818.39	2,100.00	Active	1	Own
159	Newdale	12	1	13	9	27	17	1	5.00	24.05	450.10	....	1,450.10	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
166	Woodworth	12	1	13	2	31	21	0	....	134.34	303.64	....	803.64	500.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE SIXTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1953.

27	Glenwood	10	3	13	71	87	38	18	165.00	162.40	3,521.57	....	28,721.57	19,500.00	Active	1	Own
40	Deloraine	11	1	12	25	65	25	18	285.00	69.00	315.05	2,729.50	17,754.55	16,500.00	Active	1	Own
52	Hartney	12	2	14	51	56	35	5	70.00	66.42	232.56	150.00	3,033.13	1,600.00	Active	1	Rent
54	Oriental	12	0	12	52	30	22	8	60.00	70.00	1,373.71	162.75	3,235.96	600.00	Active	1	Rent
77	Napinka	11	0	11	18	42	10	14	108.00	50.00	195.12	....	1,645.12	500.00	Active	1	Rent
86	Elgin	10	2	12	12	54	22	11	101.50	....	425.00	....	825.00	....	Active	1	Rent
104	Reston	12	3	15	42	132	42	23	184.00	43.71	223.59	199.95	17,723.59	15,500.00	Active	1	Own
110	Kilwinning	12	0	12	23	34	20	9	130.00	....	74.95	297.30	2,507.65	2,600.00	Active	1	Own

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE SEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1953.

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver. Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D.G.M.	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
19	Brandon	10	12	22	78	184	37	53	584.00	276.69	1,570.46	....	11,120.46	....	Active	1	Rent
43	Lebanon	10	3	13	51	48	30	8	76.50	54.45	614.25	....	2,714.25	450.00	Active	1	Rent
44	Oak Lake	10	0	10	14	27	14	6	56.00	40.00	337.61	....	3,087.61	1,900.00	Active	1	Own
64	Composite	10	1	11	20	38	22	0	....	35.00	209.12	....	2,309.12	1,400.00	Active	1	Own
74	Elkhorn	10	0	10	23	24	14	9	110.00	....	485.01	1,272.00	2,213.01	4,800.00	Active	1	Own
107	Lansdowne	10	1	11	18	32	15	6	42.00	20.00	101.50	....	4,601.50	3,000.00	Active	1	Own
113	Tweed	10	10	20	100	178	42	45	358.80	530.00	2,037.76	828.75	21,894.51	....	Active	1	Rent
158	Fenwick	10	10	20	40	110	24	5	42.00	168.83	1,580.94	773.50	2,349.56	500.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE EIGHTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1953.

6	Emerson	12	2	14	31	46	20	8	232.00	58.83	578.94	....	18,211.41	8,700.00	Active	1	Own
8	King Solomon	12	4	16	27	56	30	8	74.00	....	674.61	....	21,262.96	16,500.00	Active	1	Own
55	East Star	10	0	10	35	15	10	5	58.00	....	157.87	....	2,158.87	2,000.00	Active	1	Own
70	Shiloh	10	0	10	24	54	27	6	43.00	84.00	318.36	....	11,495.36	10,650.00	Active	1	Own
90	Midlothian	10	0	10	20	44	16	9	63.00	30.15	652.89	101.50	1,872.18	200.00	Active	1	Rent
120	Penza	11	0	11	19	36	17	5	35.00	30.04	821.34	....	3,321.34	2,500.00	Active	1	Own
125	Patricia	10	2	12	24	30	22	4	36.00	31.50	618.55	....	8,178.55	7,000.00	Active	1	Own
132	Sprague	1	0	1	18	15	13	8	94.00	28.00	216.71	....	816.71	500.00	Dorm.	1	Rent
155	Carman	10	1	11	21	65	26	14	110.00	40.00	595.44	....	1,532.58	500.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE NINTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1953.

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver-Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
68	Vermillion	11	9	20	76	119	50	33	626.00	....	746.98	3,665.19	12,289.12	10,000.00	Active	1	Own
94	Hiram	12	1	13	40	50	30	14	110.00	175.00	235.20	1,200.00	2,435.20	2,500.00	Active	1	Own
100	Robbie Burns	10	0	10	17	17	12	5	48.00	....	51.08	....	801.08	200.00	Active	1	Rent
105	Prince Arthur	12	3	15	36	70	30	22	200.00	87.52	1,571.93	390.00	2,681.93	1,000.00	Active	1	Own
122	Roblin	12	3	15	21	45	22	10	130.00	....	9.94	2,000.00	10,540.51	12,000.00	Active	1	Own
126	Favel	11	2	13	14	35	20	3	31.00	150.30	628.18	....	1,328.18	700.00	Active	1	Rent
128	Victory	9	1	10	24	30	14	8	62.00	....	230.47	....	1,180.47	300.00	Active	1	Rent
147	Jubilee	11	1	12	24	47	19	18	285.00	87.00	211.03	....	661.03	300.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE TENTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1953.

2	Lisgar	9	10	19	90	101	41	34	265.00	96.39	1,716.55	....	18,716.55	12,000.00	Active	1	Own
12	Stonewall	10	5	15	36	90	40	8	72.00	116.11	438.55	....	6,738.55	5,760.00	Active	1	Own
112	Ophir	10	1	11	15	76	26	13	98.00	....	247.57	....	11,747.57	11,000.00	Active	1	Own
123	Transcona	9	3	12	25	142	35	28	432.50	224.65	2,621.11	....	6,418.14	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
131	Kildonan	9	8	17	31	111	40	9	108.00	130.00	702.20	118.50	10,258.96	500.00	Active	1	Rent
134	Stony Mountain	11	5	16	16	65	23	5	47.00	....	525.41	....	4,925.41	2,400.00	Active	1	Own
148	Seven Oaks	9	5	14	20	118	48	11	85.00	322.50	463.76	10,765.00	9,383.76	1,500.00	Active	1	Rent
151	The Dormer	9	7	16	10	117	44	21	250.00	192.00	811.83	201.00	10,716.40	500.00	Active	1	Rent
154	Pine Falls	10	1	11	24	53	27	15	70.00	107.29	1,228.95	495.85	4,685.66	400.00	Active	1	Rent
156	Manitouwapa	9	0	9	29	41	25	5	32.50	53.05	1,254.63	105.50	2,550.13	500.00	Active	1	Rent
164	Harry Woods	12	0	12	1	63	32	5	50.00	....	746.71	....	747.71	600.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE TWELFTH MASONIC DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1953.

No. of Lodge	NAME	Meetings Held			Non-Resident Members	Resident Members	Aver-Atten. of Members	No. of Mem. 12 mons. in arrears	Total of all Arrearages	Paid for Relief	Cash on Hand	Liabilities	Total Assets over Liabilities	Insurance in Force	Condition of Lodge Act. or Dorm.	Official Visits by D.D. G.M.	Does Lodge Own or Rent Hall?
		Reg.	Emer.	Total													
130	Fort Garry	9	8	17	65	276	100	30	291.00	94.65	1,001.20	410.00	8,814.92	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
136	Capitol	9	8	17	49	270	97	29	279.00	738.00	2,082.98	....	6,882.98	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
137	Lord Selkirk	9	7	16	29	140	63	13	194.50	219.45	914.97	....	6,114.97	750.00	Active	1	Rent
138	Windsor	9	12	21	36	206	76	36	358.00	150.00	466.12	760.01	59,694.10	35,000.00	Active	1	Own
139	Beaver	9	9	18	74	236	64	34	338.00	177.55	2,348.01	288.00	8,696.01	....	Active	1	Rent
140	Meridian	9	8	17	76	324	89	40	360.60	597.80	858.94	530.00	18,303.44	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
141	Tuscan	9	2	11	20	94	43	17	229.50	182.46	929.21	289.50	2,999.63	500.00	Active	1	Rent
143	Mount Sinai	9	6	15	43	305	75	41	502.00	....	1,881.59	790.29	13,299.84	500.00	Active	1	Rent
144	Fort Osborne	9	7	16	45	195	60	40	435.00	363.58	1,438.18	....	7,348.48	500.00	Active	1	Rent
145	Sturgeon Creek	9	9	18	34	141	52	25	274.00	38.00	3,045.10	....	6,087.77	1,000.00	Active	1	Rent
146	Fidelity	9	9	18	52	247	66	34	340.00	247.54	2,097.25	361.50	11,676.75	200.00	Active	1	Rent
163	Charleswood	9	10	19	7	57	33	7	96.00	65.00	838.62	....	3,632.37	1,500.00	Active	1	Rent

STATISTICAL REPORT OF LODGES UNDER SPECIAL SUPERVISION OF THE M.W. THE GRAND MASTER FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1953.

124	The Pas	9	9	18	45	95	18	30	461.25	19.10	553.81	....	4,353.81	11,400.00	Active	1	Own
153	Flin Flon	10	12	22	59	112	41	18	191.25	377.00	1,395.19	192.10	15,419.06	16,500.00	Active	1	Own
157	Rice Lake	9	1	10	19	30	23	6	35.00	109.15	615.44	....	615.44	500.00	Active	1	Rent
161	Fort Prince of Wales	12	23	35	47	36	18	10	65.91	15.00	1,256.87	....	1,256.87	5,000.00	Active	1	Own

LIST OF GRAND LODGES WITH THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF THE GRAND SECRETARIES

Grand Lodge	Grand Secretary	Addresses
Alabama	C. H. Stubinger	Montgomery, P.O. Box 98
Alberta	E. H. Rivers	Calgary, Masonic Temple
Alpina (Switzerland)	Marcel Wiegandt	Geneva, 10—Grand-Quae
Argentina	Alcibiades Lappas	Buenos Aires, Cangallo 1242 (Rm. 28)
Arizona	J. A. E. Ivey	Tucson, P.O. Box 1488
Arkansas	W. A. Thomas	Little Rock, Masonic Temple
British Columbia	J. H. N. Morgan	Vancouver, 692 Seymour St.
California	Lloyd E. Wilson	San Francisco, 25 Van Ness St.
Canada (Ontario)	E. G. Dixon	Hamilton, P.O. Drawer 217
Chile	Zacarias Gomez M.	Santiago, Casilla 2867
Colombia	Pedro A. Baquero G.	Bogota, Apartado 2519
Colorado	H. W. Bundy	Denver 2, 300 Masonic Temple, 1614 Welton St.
Connecticut	Earle K. Haling	Hartford 3, Masonic Temple
Costa Rica	Enrique Chaves Bolanos	San Jose, Apartado "Y"
Cuba	Jose F. Castellanos	Havana, Apartado 72
Delaware	Chester R. Jones	Wilmington, 813 Market St.
Denmark, N.G.L.	Einar Hoeg	Copenhagen, 23 Blegsdamvej
District of Colombia	Raymond N. Babcock	Washington 5, Masonic Temple
Ecuador	J. A. Vallejo Ycaza	Guayaquil, F.C.O.P. Lavayen, No. 222
England	Sir Sydney A. White	London, Gt. Queen St.
Florida	Geo. W. Huff	Jacksonville 2, Masonic Temple
France, G. L.	Marc Rabrosse	8 Rue Puteaux, Paris
France, N.G.L.	L. F. Poirson	Paris, 65 Boulevard Beniau, Neuilly-sur-Seine
Georgia	D. W. Locklin	Macon, 811 Mulberry St.
Guatemala	C. E. Bianchi	Guatemala City, Apartado 312
Honduras	Miguel A. Zelaya	Tegucigalpa, Box 28, Honduras, C.A.
Idaho	Clyde I. Rush	Boise, P.O. Box 1677
Illinois	R. C. Davenport	Harrisburg, P.O. Box 441
Indiana	Dwight L. Smith	Indianapolis, Masonic Temple
Iowa	Earl B. Delzell	Cedar Rapids, Masonic Temple
Ireland	Henry C. Shellard	Dublin, 17 Molesworth St.
Kansas	Arthur H. Strickland	Topeka, 320 West 8th. St.
Kentucky	A. E. Orton	Louisville, 200 Shubert Bldg.
Louisiana	D. Peter Laguens Jr.	New Orleans, 333 St. Charles St.
Maine	Convers E. Leach	Portland, Masonic Temple
Manitoba	Thos. C. Jackson	Winnipeg, Masonic Temple
Maryland	Claude Shaffer	Baltimore, Masonic Temple
Massachusetts	Earl W. Taylor	Boston 16, 51 Boylston Ave.
Mexico, Y.G.L.	Carl E. DeVries	Mexico 1, D.F.—Apartado 1986
Michigan	C. T. Sherman	Grand Rapids, Masonic Temple
Minnesota	J. B. Tomhave	St. Paul, Masonic Temple
Mississippi	Sid. F. Curtis	Meridian, P.O. Box 1030
Missouri	Harold L. Reader	St. Louis, 3681 Lindell Blvd.
Montana	Byron F. Gaither	Helena, P.O. Box 1158
Nebraska	Carl R. Greisen	Omaha, 401 Masonic Temple
Netherlands	Dr. A. A. Galestin	The Hague, Fluwelen Burgwal 22
Nevada	E. C. Peterson	Carson City, P.O. Box 467
New Brunswick	R. D. Magee	Saint John, P.O. Box 430
New Hampshire	Harold O. Cady	Concord, 44 S. Main St.
New Jersey	Isaac Cherry	Trenton 10, 100 Willow St.
New Mexico	Chandler C. Thomas	Albuquerque, P.O. Box 535
New South Wales	James S. Miller	Sydney, 279 Castlereagh St.
New York	Edward R. Carman	New York 10, 71 West 23rd St.
New Zealand	F. G. Northern	Wellington, P.O. Box 1833
North Carolina	W. L. McIver	Raleigh, P.O. Box 3068
North Dakota	Harold S. Pond	Fargo, P.O. Box 1269
Norway	Odd Lie-Davidsen	Oslo, N. Voldgate 19
Nova Scotia	R. V. Harris	Halifax, P.O. Box 522
Ohio	H. S. Johnson	Cincinnati, 2-317 East 5th St.
Oklahoma	C. A. Sturgeon	Guthrie, Masonic Temple

LIST OF GRAND LODGES WITH THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF THE GRAND SECRETARIES—Continued

Grand Lodge	Grand Secretary	Addresses
Oregon	H. D. Proudfoot	Portland, 1119 S.W. Park
Panama	Nathan A. Reid	Panama, Apartado 84
Paraiba	Enezio Barbosa	Paraiba, P.O. Box 3—Brazil
Pennsylvania	George A. Avery	Philadelphia 7, Masonic Temple
Philippine Islands	Antonio Gonzalez	Manila, P.O. Box 990
Puerto Rico	Emiliano Isales	P.O. 8385, Santurce
Prince Edward Island	F. A. VanIderstine	Charlottetown, P.O. Box 112
Quebec	R. W. Louthood	Montreal, 1559 St. Marks St.
Queensland	E. G. Radford	Brisbane, Box 675K; G.P.O.
Rhode Island	N. Arthur Hyland	Providence, Masonic Temple
Rio de Janeiro	J. J. DePinna	Rio de Janeiro, P.O. Box 2215
Santa Domingo	J. M. Perez Andujar	Santa Domingo
Saskatchewan	Robt. A. Tate	Regina, Masonic Temple
Sao Paulo	Henrique Smith	Sao Paulo, P.O. Box 8348
Scotland	Alex. F. Buchan	Edinburgh, 96 George St.
South Australia	F. J. Ellen	Adelaide, Box 19, Rundle St. P.O.
South Carolina	H. F. Collins	Columbia, 502 Palmetto State Life Bldg.
South Dakota	E. F. Strain	Sioux Falls, P.O. Box 468
Tasmania	H. A. Wilkinson	Hobart, 117 Macquarrie St.
Tennessee	Thos. E. Doss	Nashville 2, P.O. Box 216
Texas	Harvey C. Byrd	Waco, P.O. Box 446
Utah	E. R. Gibson	Salt Lake City, 650 E. South Temple St.
Vermont	Aaron H. Grout	Burlington, Masonic Temple
Victoria	C. W. Davis	Melbourne, 25 Collins St.
Virginia	James N. Hillman	Richmond, Masonic Temple
Washington	J. I. Preisener	Tacoma 3, Masonic Temple
West Virginia	J. B. Hollingsworth	Charleston 28, P.O. Box 2346
Western Australia	N. J. Munro	Perth, Box d-117-G.P.O.
Wisconsin	P. W. Grossenbach, Jr.	Milwaukee, 705 E. Wells St.
Wyoming	Irving E. Clark	Casper, P.O. Box 459

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA NEAR OTHER GRAND LODGES

Grand Lodge	Representative	Address	Date
Alabama	C. H. Stubinger	Montgomery	Mar. 10, 1937
Alberta	W. H. Jackson	Innisfail	Mar. 19, 1954
Alpina (Switzerland)	Wm. Planta	Berne	Sept. 2, 1941
Argentina	Cesar de Madariaga	Buenos Aires	Apr. 21, 1954
Arizona	Rev. R. S. Calder	Phoenix	Jan. 31, 1940
Arkansas	J. H. Pinson	El-Dorado	Mar. 27, 1925
British Columbia	Donald Adams	Revelstoke	Oct. 13, 1930
Canada (In Ontario)	Chas. S. Hamilton	Toronto	Mar. 22, 1944
Chile	Artouro de la Cruz	Santiago	Oct. 14, 1929
Colombia	Alfred G. Williams	Bogota	Nov. 24, 1942
Colorado	Ira C. Foster	Montrose	Feb. 24, 1940
Connecticut	W. A. Hunt	Forestville	Apr. 22, 1939
Costa Rica	M. J. Piza Gabriel	Cartago	Dec. 18, 1952
Cuba	T. E. Sierra	Havana	June 6, 1923
Delaware	Louis S. Cain	Wilmington	Jan. 29, 1927
Denmark	A. T. K. Troedsson	Copenhagen	Sept. 4, 1946
District of Columbia	Convass B. Dean	Arlington (Va.)	Aug. 8, 1949
Ecuador	Octavio Moran	Guayaquil	July 21, 1932
England	The Rt. Hon. Viscount de Vesci	Monk Hopton, Bridgnorth	Nov. 25, 1939
Florida	Frank H. Brown	Miami	Apr. 2, 1940
France, G.L.	Louis Doignon	Paris	Feb. 22, 1952
France, N.G.L.	G. H. Hargreaves	Paris	Apr. 26, 1936
Guatemala	D. W. Orbough	Guatemala City	May 23, 1953
Georgia	H. Sol. Clark	Savannah	Oct. 5, 1953
Honduras	J. M. Lopez	Honduras	Dec. 1, 1931
Idaho	Neil R. Fitch	Payette	Dec. 9, 1941
Illinois	Dr. G. H. Stephens	Danville	Aug. 30, 1924
Indiana	Guy L. Roberts	Indianapolis	Sept. 15, 1951
Iowa	C. D. Jory	Sheldon	May 20, 1953
Ireland	David Ferris	Newry	Nov. 1, 1921
Kansas	Homer C. Anderson	Topeka	Mar. 8, 1951
Kentucky	F. W. Gallagher	Louisville	Oct. 15, 1953
Louisiana	J. A. Thompson	Minden	Dec. 19, 1950
Maine	Geo. R. Caswell	Augusta	Apr. 14, 1952
Maryland	Chas. Reichhardt	Baltimore	Feb. 5, 1944
Massachusetts	Roger A. Vint	Malden	Nov. 28, 1950
Mexico, Y. G. L.	H. S. Golding	Mexico	May 15, 1954
Michigan	Louis Anderson	Omena	June 1, 1932
Minnesota	C. E. Hegman	St. Paul	June 27, 1949
Mississippi	A. F. Copeland	Leland	Apr. 19, 1932
Missouri	H. C. Johnston	Boonville	Nov. 16, 1936
Montana	J. C. Haglund		June 15, 1954
Nebraska	E. C. Purdy	Gordon	July 7, 1943
Netherlands	Dr. M. ten Cate	Amsterdam	Apr. 16, 1948
Nevada	S. P. Kafoury	Reno	June 2, 1933
New Brunswick	Alfred Page	Woodstock	Apr. 14, 1939
New Hampshire	D. W. Hopkins	Greenfield	Aug. 27, 1943
New Jersey	J. F. Russell	Jersey City	Apr. 1, 1923
New Mexico	J. G. Benton	Jal	Dec. 4, 1945
New South Wales	S. A. Taplin	Drummoyne	Aug. 5, 1947
New York	W. H. DeChant	New York	Mar. 20, 1951
New Zealand	R. W. Carpenter	Hawk's Bay	Mar. 4, 1948
North Carolina	J. L. Peacock	Tarboro	July 10, 1935
North Dakota	Harold S. Pond	Fargo	Mar. 4, 1953
Norway	Sigurd Halvorsen	Oslo	July 30, 1948
Nova Scotia	Rev. G. R. Thompson	Truro	May 18, 1943
Ohio	F. R. Dwyer	Bradford	July 28, 1943
Oklahoma	J. Gard Duncan	Wapanucka	Dec. 31, 1946
Oregon	Wilmot K. Royal	Portland	Dec. 4, 1933
Panama	Andres Mojica	Panama	Jan. 20, 1953
Paraiba	Dr. Arlindo Correa	Paraiba	July 10, 1939
Philippine Islands	Gonzalo T. Vales	Manila	Feb. 6, 1940
Puerto Rico	Leon G. Reyes	Caguas	May 4, 1945

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Grand Lodge	Representative	Address	Date
Prince Edward Island	Frank S. Myers	Crapaud	June 20, 1953
Quebec	W. R. Allen	Montreal	Jan. 14, 1918
Queensland	Wm. K. McLuckie	Brisbane	June 1, 1923
Rhode Island	H. V. Allan	Warwick	July 29, 1948
Rio de Janeiro	L. Bert Love	Rio de Janeiro	Nov. 11, 1944
Sao Paulo	Mauricio Utechitel	Sao Paulo	July 27, 1951
Saskatchewan	F. C. Hayes	Swift Current	July 23, 1945
Scotland	O. M. Watson	Glasgow	Aug. 19, 1948
South Australia	H. C. Souter	Adelaide	May 13, 1954
South Carolina	Wm. W. Gregory	Inman	May 15, 1934
South Dakota	Jess. H. Thorpe	Watertown	Jan. 15, 1937
Tasmania	R. V. W. Green	Launceston	Apr. 24, 1928
Tennessee	H. H. Harter	Clarksville	Mar. 2, 1953
Texas	J. W. Pender	Denton	Mar. 1, 1931
Utah	J. W. Buck	Park City	Oct. 4, 1945
Vermont	A. H. Winchester	Brattleboro	Jan. 5, 1944
Victoria	E. J. Carter	Melbourne	Sept. 10, 1934
Virginia	Hugh M. Reid	Arlington	Nov. 21, 1949
Washington	G. L. Buck	Seattle	Mar. 1, 1951
West Virginia	C. B. Ahrens	Wheeling	Aug. 17, 1939
Western Australia	T. H. Bath	Perth	Dec. 13, 1946
Wisconsin	R. H. Watson	Milwaukee	May 1, 1939

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Alabama	B. Warkentin	Beausejour	Mar. 24, 1948
Alberta	H. M. Kerr	Brandon	Nov. 25, 1930
Alpina (Switzerland)	S. H. Fahrni	Portage la Prairie	Jan. 16, 1952
Argentina	J. F. Irwin	Neepawa	May 19, 1954
Arizona	A. D. Blair	Alexander	Aug. 6, 1953
Arkansas	George H. Lucas	Bissett	Aug. 20, 1952
British Columbia	J. C. Grant	Winnipeg	Oct. 1, 1945
Canada (in Ontario)	W. D. Lawrence	Winnipeg	Sept. 13, 1940
Chile	N. J. Black	Winnipeg	May 13, 1920
Colombia	A. S. McCann	Winnipeg	Apr. 29, 1949
Colorado	K. R. Kennedy	Winnipeg	Mar. 5, 1938
Connecticut	N. C. Law	Winnipeg	Jan. 26, 1954
Costa Rica	J. D. Lloyd	Emerson	Feb. 7, 1949
Cuba	W. P. White	Winnipeg	Mar. 16, 1954
Delaware	J. G. Wiechman	Treherne	Mar. 18, 1952
Denmark	W. C. Birt	Winnipeg	Oct. 1, 1951
District of Columbia	A. C. Cabel	Winnipeg	Aug. 5, 1949
Ecuador	S. W. Robertson	Winnipeg	Apr. 26, 1946
England	M. S. Donovan	Brandon	Feb. 3, 1954
Florida	S. Hart Green	Winnipeg	Apr. 30, 1945
France, N.G.L.	Chas. Midwinter	Winnipeg	Mar. 3, 1937
France, G.L.			
Guatemala	Robert Wood	Minnedosa	Jan. 12, 1951
Georgia	W. A. Prugh	Brandon	June 5, 1947
Honduras	A. G. Cowan	Winnipeg	Oct. 17, 1930
Idaho	S. J. Sametz	Winnipeg	Mar. 7, 1949
Illinois	W. R. Leslie	Morden	June 21, 1931
Indiana	R. E. Emmett	St. James	Apr. 3, 1944
Iowa	G. A. McMorran	Souris	May 28, 1953
Ireland	H. Coddington	Winnipeg	Oct. 14, 1950
Kansas	John Cuthill	Reston	Feb. 27, 1953
Kentucky	J. D. McKinlay	Winnipeg	May 23, 1951
Louisiana	Chas. E. Cole	Portage la Prairie	Feb. 28, 1938
Maine	W. D. Harper	Winnipeg	Jan. 19, 1937
Maryland	David Ferguson	Moosehorn	Nov. 5, 1945
Massachusetts	P. G. Hawkins	Winnipeg	Jan. 17, 1951
Mexico, York G.L.	M. A. Nitikman	Winnipeg	May 23, 1940
Michigan	A. J. Sawatsky	Morris	May 23, 1949
Minnesota	F. H. Blythe	Winnipeg	Feb. 5, 1952
Mississippi	J. Reid Glenn	Winnipeg	Dec. 20, 1951
Missouri	T. C. Jackson	Winnipeg	Mar. 9, 1953
Montana	M. S. Watson	Deloraine	Feb. 26, 1941
Nebraska	N. Rothstein	Winnipeg	Mar. 22, 1951
Netherlands	W. E. Glover	Roland	May 2, 1953
Nevada	J. P. Mowat	Winnipeg	June 30, 1950
New Brunswick	R. A. McKenzie	Roland	May 16, 1949
New Hampshire	W. D. G. Runions	Winnipeg	Nov. 22, 1948
New Jersey	Dave Rothstein	Winnipeg	Feb. 20, 1953
New Mexico	H. B. Donnelly	St. Vital	July 10, 1937
New South Wales	I. Zipursky	Winnipeg	July 21, 1953
New York	G. A. Woodside	Winnipeg	May 14, 1932
New Zealand	S. Burland	St. Vital	Mar. 22, 1937
North Carolina	Robt. Peel	Miniota	Sept. 4, 1941
North Dakota	W. C. McDonald	Roland	Feb. 28, 1953
Norway	Walle Larsson	Winnipeg	Apr. 25, 1952
Nova Scotia	D. S. Woods	St. Norbert	Oct. 13, 1926
Ohio	A. E. Boyle	Winnipeg	June 10, 1924
Oklahoma	D. W. Smith	Portage la Prairie	Jan. 16, 1950
Oregon	J. W. Bringhurst	Winnipeg	Mar. 24, 1952
Panama	Walter Dalzell	Portage la Prairie	Jan. 10, 1951
Paraiba	Alex. Campbell	Winnipeg	June 15, 1946

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Grand Lodge	Representative	Address	Date
Philippine Islands	John Livesey	Swan River	May 22, 1947
Puerto Rico	G. V. Henderson	Strathclair	July 5, 1941
Prince Edward Island	F. B. Lynes	Crystal City	June 3, 1948
Quebec	H. T. Waters	Winnipeg	May 17, 1940
Queensland	G. P. Fairbairn	Winnipeg	Aug. 23, 1948
Rhode Island	J. R. C. Evans	Brandon	Oct. 18, 1945
Rio de Janeiro	H. L. Morrow	Melita	May 10, 1953
Santa Domingo	E. L. White	Winnipeg	
Saskatchewan	H. H. Gray	Winnipeg	Nov. 10, 1948
Scotland	Wm. Douglas	Winnipeg	Feb. 11, 1936
Sao Paulo	E. B. Litz	Rathwell	Aug. 20, 1951
South Australia	J. J. Allen	Winnipeg	Feb. 21, 1950
South Carolina	W. M. Frame	Souris	Mar. 27, 1953
South Dakota	Jas. Wardrope	Winnipeg	Apr. 10, 1945
Tasmania	T. L. Dodsworth	Winnipeg	July 21, 1945
Tennessee	J. S. MacEwing	Treherne	Oct. 15, 1913
Texas	H. G. Kilpatrick	Winnipeg	Feb. 14, 1941
Utah	D. MacDonald	Ninette	May 24, 1941
Vermont	F. K. Purdie	Griswold	May 13, 1932
Victoria	A. R. Dick	W.Kildonan	Apr. 8, 1953
Virginia	Clarence Hyde	Portage la Prairie	Nov 25, 1948
Washington	G. R. Mackay	Winnipeg	May 20, 1929
West Virginia	B. S. Parker	Winnipeg	May 10, 1954
Western Australia	J. B. McClure	St. Vital	Sept. 17, 1948
Wisconsin	N. M. Hall	Winnipeg	May 7, 1945

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1	Prince Rupert's	Winnipeg	Nov. 21, 1870	Dec. 10, 1870	July 13, 1871 April 13, 1877	Under the Grand Lodge of Canada as No. 240, Transferred to Grand Lodge of Manitoba as Prince Rupert's Lodge No. 1.
2	"Lodge Manitoba," Lisgar	Lower Ft. Garry, Selkirk	Jan. 4, 1871	Feb. 20, 1871	Nov. 6, 1871 April 30, 1877	Under the Grand Lodge of Canada as No. 244, Transferred to Grand Lodge of Manitoba as Lisgar Lodge No. 2.
3	Ancient Landmark	Winnipeg	Sept. 19, 1872	Sept. 19, 1872	July 9, 1873 April 13, 1877	Under the Grand Lodge of Canada as No. 288, Transferred to Grand Lodge of Manitoba as Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 3.
4	St. John's	Winnipeg	July 6, 1875	July 7, 1875	June 14, 1876	
5	Hiram	Kildonan	Oct. 11, 1875	Oct. 12, 1875	June 14, 1876	Charter surrendered June 13, 1890.
6	Emerson	Emerson	July 24, 1876	July 29, 1876	June 14, 1877	
7	Assiniboine	Portage la Prairie	Feb. 5, 1878	Feb. 19, 1878	June 12, 1878	
8	King Solomon	Morris	No dispensation	Jan. 10, 1879	Feb. 20, 1879	
9	Oakland	Carman	No dispensation		Jan. 22, 1879 Feb. 16, 1885	Charter arrested August, 1883. Charter returned Feb., 1885. Charter arrested Dec. 16, 1931.
10	Northern Light	Winnipeg	No dispensation		June 20, 1879	
11	Gladstone	Gladstone	Jan. 14, 1879 Renewed— Oct. 6, 1879 Cont. to— Mar. 29, 1880	July 30, 1879	Oct. 1, 1880	
12	Stonewall	Stonewall	April 15, 1880	April 20, 1880	Feb. 10, 1881	
13	Belmont	Nelsonville	Sept. 9, 1880	Sept. 13, 1880	Feb. 10, 1881	Moved from Nelsonville to Morden, 1885.
14	Prince of Wales	Minnedosa	Nov. 18, 1880	Dec. 20, 1880	Feb. 10, 1881	
15	Corinthian	Rapid City	Jan. 10, 1881		Feb. 6, 1881	
16	Kinistino	Prince Albert, Sask.	July 14, 1880		July 16, 1883	Under the Grand Lodge of Canada as No. 381, Transferred to Grand Lodge of Manitoba, Transferred to Grand Lodge of Sask. on its formation, August 9th, 1906, as Kinistino Lodge No. 1.

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17	Saskatchewan	Edmonton, Alta.	Jan. 12, 1882 Cont. to Feb. 10, 1882.	Feb. 13, 1882	Feb. 16, 1883	Charter surrendered Feb. 13, 1889.
18	Al. Mogreb, Al Aksa	Tangier, Morocco			July 28, 1881	Charter forfeited June 11, 1890.
19	Brandon	Brandon	Jan. 7, 1882 Cont. to Feb. 10, 1882.		Feb. 16, 1883	
20	Pembina	Pilot Mound	Jan. 25, 1882 Cont. to Feb. 10, 1882.	Feb. 27, 1882	Feb. 16, 1883	Charter forfeited June 11, 1891.
21	Marquette	Portage la Prairie	Feb. 27, 1882 Sept. 17, 1953	Mar. 9, 1882 Oct. 26, 1953	Feb. 16, 1883 June 2, 1954	Consolidated with Assiniboine No. 7 June 24, 1889.
22	Pequonga	Rat Portage	June 8, 1882		July 16, 1883	Severed connections with Grand Lodge of Manitoba when the Privy Council proclaimed Rat Portage in Ontario, on April 6, 1887 and united with Grand Lodge of Canada as Pequonga Lodge No. 414.
23	Wascana	Regina Assiniboia	Feb. 24, 1883		Feb. 14, 1884	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba on formation of Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan as Wascana Lodge No. 2.
24	Neepawa	Neepawa	Mar. 7, 1883		Feb. 14, 1884	
25	Ionic	Winnipeg	May 26, 1883	June 1, 1883	Feb. 14, 1884	
26	Moose Jaw	Moose Jaw	Sept. 24, 1883	Oct. 9, 1883	Feb. 14, 1884	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba on formation of Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan as Moose Jaw Lodge No. 3.
27	Glenwood	Souris	Dec. 24, 1883	Feb. 4, 1884	Feb. 14, 1884	
28	Bow River	Calgary, N.W.T.	Jan. 10, 1884	Jan. 28, 1884	Feb. 14, 1884	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba on formation of Grand Lodge of Alberta, Oct. 12, 1905, as Bow River Lodge No. 1.
29	Carberry	Carberry	April 2, 1884		Feb. 12, 1885	
30	Manitou	Manitou	April 10, 1884	June 16, 1884	Feb. 12, 1885	
31	Medicine Hat	Medicine Hat, Assiniboia	June 16, 1885 Renewed— Mar. 12, 1886	Sept. 1, 1885	Feb. 12, 1887	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba on formation of the Grand Lodge of Alberta as Medicine Hat Lodge No. 2.

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32	Qu'Appelle Valley	Fort Qu'Appelle Assiniboia	Feb. 24, 1886	May 4, 1886	Feb. 12, 1887	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and became a member of Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan Aug. 9, 1906 as Qu'Appelle Valley Lodge No. 4.
33	Indian Head	Indian Head, Assiniboia	April 3, 1886	June 2, 1886	Feb. 12, 1887	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and became a member of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9, 1906, as Indian Head Lodge No. 5.
34	Qu'Appelle	Qu'Appelle Station Assiniboia	April 12, 1886	April 28, 1886	Feb. 12, 1887	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and became a member of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9, 1906, as Qu'Appelle Lodge No. 6.
35	Moosomin	Moosomin, Assiniboia	April 21, 1886	May 5, 1886	Feb. 12, 1887	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and became a member of Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9, 1906 as Moosomin Lodge No. 7.
36	Doric	Boissevain	May 26, 1886	June 30, 1886	Feb. 12, 1887	
37	Alberta	Macleod, Alta.	May 27, 1886	Aug. 3, 1886	Feb. 12, 1887	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and became a member of Grand Lodge of Alberta as Alberta Lodge No. 3.
38	Battle	Battleford, Sask.	June 18, 1884 June 26, 1886 Cont. to Feb. 16, 1887	July 27, 1886	Feb. 12, 1887	Charter surrendered, 1901.
39	Birtle	Birtle	Jan. 22, 1887	Mar. 8, 1887	Feb. 9, 1888	
40	Deloraine	Deloraine	June 10, 1887		Feb. 9, 1888	
41	North Star	Lethbridge, Alta.	Mar. 13, 1888	April 16, 1888	Feb. 14, 1889	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Alta., Oct. 12, 1905.
42	Cascade	Anthracite, Alta.	April 5, 1888	May 25, 1888	Feb. 14, 1889	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Alta., Oct. 12, 1905.

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43	Lebanon	Virden	Jan. 25, 1889	Feb. 19, 1889	June 13, 1890	
44	Oak Lake	Oak Lake	Mar. 18, 1889	May 17, 1889	June 13, 1890	
45	Spitzie	Pincher Creek, Alta.	Mar. 15, 1890 Cont. to June 14, 1890	May 1, 1890	June 12, 1891	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Alta., Oct. 12, 1905.
46	Wapananung	Broadview, Assiniboia	Mar. 15, 1890 June 14, 1890	April 21, 1890	June 12, 1891	Charter surrendered July, 1897.
47	Ashlar	Whitewood Assiniboia	July 16, 1890	Oct. 21, 1890	June 12, 1891	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan Aug. 9, 1906 as Ashlar Lodge No. 8.
48	Glenboro	Glenboro	July 29, 1890	Aug. 7, 1890	June 12, 1891	
49	Temple	Macgregor	Dec. 29, 1890	Jan. 23, 1891	June 12, 1891	
50	Killarney	Killarney	Mar. 26, 1891	April 27, 1891	June 10, 1892	
51	Treherne	Treherne	April 2, 1891	April 14, 1891	June 10, 1892	
52	Hartney	Hartney	Aug. 12, 1891 Cont. to June 10, 1892	Sept. 22, 1891	June 16, 1893	
53	Edmonton	Edmonton	Oct. 20, 1892		June 16, 1893	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Alta., as Edmonton Lodge No. 7.
54	Oriental	Melita	Feb. 25, 1893		June 16, 1893	
55	East Star	Gretna	July 10, 1893	Aug. 11, 1893	June 15, 1894	
56	Maple Leaf	Maple Creek, Alta.	July 10, 1893	July 22, 1893	June 15, 1894	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined new Grand Lodge of Alberta, Oct. 12, 1905.
57	Evening Star	Grenfell, Assiniboia	Oct. 10, 1893	Oct. 17, 1893	June 15, 1894	Severed connection with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan Aug. 9, 1906.
58	Innisfail	Innisfail, Alta.	June 14, 1894	June 21, 1894	July 14, 1895	Severed connection with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Alberta, Oct. 12, 1905.
59	Red Deer	Red Deer, Alta.	June 15, 1894 Cont. to June 10, 1896 And again to June 1, 1897	June 23, 1894	June 14, 1895	Charter lapsed.

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60	Perfection	Calgary, Alta.	June 15, 1894	June 26, 1894	June 14, 1895	Severed connection with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Alta., Oct. 12, 1905.
61	N.W. Mounted Police	Regina, Assiniboia	Sept. 5, 1894	Oct. 1, 1894	June 14, 1895	Severed connection with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan Aug. 9, 1906.
62	Russell	Russell	July 10, 1895	Aug. 13, 1895	June 10, 1896	
63	Holland	Holland	Nov. 20, 1895	Nov. 27, 1895	June 10, 1896	
64	Composite	Alexander	Feb. 17, 1896	Mar. 5, 1896	June 10, 1896	
65	Eureka	Lacombe, Alta.	Aug. 27, 1896	Sept. 16, 1896	June 10, 1897	Severed connection with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Alberta, Oct. 12, 1905.
66	Acacia	S. Edmonton, Alta.	Dec. 22, 1896	Jan. 28, 1897	June 10, 1897	Severed connection with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Alberta, Oct. 12, 1905.
67	Wawanesa	Wawanesa	June 12, 1897	July 16, 1897	June 10, 1898	
68	Vermillion	Dauphin	Dec. 1, 1898	Dec. 20, 1898	July 15, 1899	
69	Yorkton	Yorkton, Assiniboia	Feb. 4, 1899	Feb. 15, 1899	July 15, 1899	Severed connection with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9, 1906.
70	Shiloh	Roland	Mar. 1, 1899	Mar. 8, 1899	June 14, 1900	
71	Crystal	Crystal City	Mar. 28, 1899	April 3, 1899	June 14, 1900	
72	Duck Lake	Duck Lake, Sask.	July 27, 1899	Aug. 23, 1899	June 14, 1900	Severed connection with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9, 1906.
73	Red Deer	Red Deer, Alta.	July 27, 1899	Sept. 4, 1899	June 14, 1900	Severed connection with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Alberta, Oct. 12, 1905.
74	Elkhorn	Elkhorn	July 27, 1899	Sept. 18, 1899	June 14, 1900	
75	Gothic	Austin	Jan. 20, 1900	Jan. 24, 1900	June 14, 1900	
76	Victoria	Fort Saskatchewan	June 18, 1900	Oct. 15, 1900	June 20, 1901	Severed connection with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Alberta, Oct. 12, 1905.
77	Napinka	Napinka	June 18, 1900	July 13, 1900	June 20, 1901	

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78	Jasper	Edmonton, Alta.	Aug. 8, 1900	Oct. 15, 1900	June 20, 1901	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Alta., Oct. 12, 1905.
79	Yukon	Dawson, Y.T.	Oct. 29, 1900	Dec. 27, 1900	June 20, 1901	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the Grand Lodge of British Columbia.
80	Sintaluta	Sintaluta, Assiniboia	Feb. 4, 1902	Feb. 28, 1902	June 11, 1903	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Sask., Aug. 9, 1906.
81	White Horse	White Horse, Y.T.	Mar. 5, 1902	May 5, 1902	June 11, 1903	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the Grand Lodge of British Columbia.
82	Cypress	Cypress River	April 24, 1902	May 13, 1902	June 11, 1903	
83	Wetaskiwin	Wetaskiwin, Alta.	Oct. 4, 1902	Oct. 4, 1902	June 12, 1903	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Alta., Oct. 12, 1905.
84	Hamiota	Hamiota	Oct. 31, 1902	Nov. 25, 1902	June 12, 1903	
85	Mountain View	Olds, Alta.	Dec. 2, 1902 Cont. to June 1, 1904	Feb. 24, 1903	June 19, 1904	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Alta., Oct. 12, 1905.
86	Elgin	Elgin	Jan. 3, 1903	Mar. 27, 1903	June 19, 1904	
87	Rathwell	Rathwell	April 14, 1903	May 5, 1903	June 19, 1904	
88	Amity	Carnduff, Sask.	April 21, 1903	May 13, 1903	June 19, 1904	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9, 1906.
89	Saskatchewan	Saskatoon, Sask.	Dec. 12, 1903	Feb. 24, 1904	June 15, 1905	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9, 1906.
90	Midlothian	Miami	Feb. 12, 1904	Mar. 7, 1904	June 15, 1905	
91	Carlyle	Carlyle, Sask.	April 7, 1904	May 5, 1904	June 19, 1905	Severed connection with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9, 1906.

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92	Shoal Lake	Shoal Lake	July 17, 1904	Sept. 7, 1904	June 15, 1905	
93	King Edward	Winnipeg	Sept. 7, 1904	Sept. 12, 1904	June 15, 1905	
94	Hiram	Grand View	Sept. 27, 1904	Nov. 15, 1904	June 15, 1905	
95	Melfort	Melfort, Sask.	Jan. 28, 1905	Feb. 7, 1905	June 15, 1905	Severed connection with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9, 1906.
96	Battle	Battleford, Sask.	Nov. 15, 1904	Nov. 29, 1904	June 15, 1905	Severed connection with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9, 1906.
97	Nanton	Nanton, Alta.	Sept. 27, 1904	Nov. 22, 1904	June 15, 1905	Severed connection with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Alberta, Oct. 12, 1905.
98	Britannia	Ponoka, Alta.	Dec. 12, 1904	Dec. 31, 1904	June 15, 1905	Severed connection with the Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined the new Grand Lodge of Alberta, Oct. 12, 1905.
99	Lauder	Lauder	Feb. 9, 1905	Feb. 24, 1905	June 13, 1906	Charter surrendered, Oct. 26, 1936.
100	Robbie Burns	Gilbert Plains	Feb. 16, 1905	Mar. 9, 1906	June 13, 1906	
101	Binscarth	Binscarth	April 19, 1905	April 27, 1905	June 13, 1906	
102	Miniota	Miniota	Dec. 6, 1905	Jan. 8, 1906	June 13, 1906	
103	Weyburn	Weyburn, Sask.	May 9, 1905	June 6, 1905	June 13, 1906	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined new Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9, 1906.
104	Arcola	Arcola, Sask.	July 18, 1905	Aug. 17, 1905	June 13, 1906	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined new Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9, 1906.
	Estevan	Estevan, Sask.	Sept. 26, 1905 Cont. 1 year	Oct. 13, 1905		Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined new Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9, 1906.

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105	Rosthern	Rosthern, Sask.	Oct. 30, 1905	Jan. 6, 1906	June 13, 1906	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined new Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9, 1906.
106	Britannia	Lloydminster, Alta.	Oct. 30, 1905	Dec. 16, 1905	June 13, 1906	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined new Grand Lodge of Alberta, Oct. 12, 1905.
107	Wolseley	Wolseley, Sask.	Nov. 27, 1905	Jan. 25, 1906	June 13, 1906	Severed connection with Grand Lodge of Manitoba and joined new Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, Aug. 9, 1906.
	Alameda	Alameda, Sask.	Jan. 19, 1906	Mar. 13, 1906		
	Hanley	Hanley, Sask.	Mar. 5, 1906	April 5, 1906		
	Swift Current	Swift Current, Sask.	June 18, 1906	July 12, 1906		
	Heward	Heward, Sask.	June 19, 1906	July 27, 1906		
						Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan formed Aug. 9, 1906.
103	Crescent	Elm Creek	Feb. 22, 1906	Mar. 13, 1906	June 13, 1907	
104	Reston	Reston	June 18, 1906	July 6, 1906	June 13, 1907	
105	Prince Arthur	Swan River	May 18, 1906	June 1, 1906	June 13, 1907	
106	Strathclair	Strathclair	Oct. 19, 1906	Nov. 29, 1906	June 13, 1907	
107	Lansdowne	Griswold	Mar. 1, 1906 Cont. 1 year	May 9, 1906	June 10, 1908	
108	Union	Brookdale	July 8, 1907	July 26, 1907	June 10, 1908	
109	Swan Lake	Swan Lake	Nov. 28, 1907	Jan. 8, 1908	June 10, 1908	
110	Kilwinning	Minto	Aug. 22, 1908	Oct. 5, 1908	June 10, 1909	
111	Acacia	Elmwood	Feb. 4, 1909	Feb. 25, 1909	June 9, 1910	
112	Ophir	Beausejour	Mar. 2, 1909	Mar. 30, 1909	June 9, 1910	
113	Tweed	Brandon	Mar. 13, 1909	April 7, 1909	June 9, 1910	
114	"The Assiniboine"	Winnipeg	May 20, 1909	May 21, 1909	June 9, 1910	
115	Rivers	Rivers	Aug. 13, 1909	Sept. 29, 1909	June 9, 1910	
116	St. Andrew's	Wellwood	Jan. 15, 1909	Mar. 15, 1910	June 15, 1911	
117	Strathcona	Belmont	April 25, 1910	May 10, 1910	June 15, 1911	
118	Mound	Pilot Mound	July 15, 1910	Aug. 26, 1910	June 15, 1911	
119	Norwood	Norwood	Nov. 19, 1910	Dec. 10, 1910	June 15, 1911	
120	Penza	Dominion City	Mar. 23, 1911	April 7, 1911	June 12, 1912	

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121	St. James	St. James	Feb. 19, 1912	Mar. 11, 1912	June 12, 1913	
122	Roblin	Roblin	July 22, 1912	Sept. 16, 1912	June 12, 1913	
123	Transcona	Transcona	April 9, 1914	April 24, 1914	June 10, 1915	
124	The Pas	The Pas	April 23, 1914	May 21, 1914	June 10, 1915	
125	Patricia	Sperling	July 28, 1915	Nov. 4, 1915	June 15, 1916	
126	Favel	Minitonas	Nov. 30, 1916	Jan. 12, 1917	June 13, 1918	
127	Empire	Winnipeg	April 11, 1918	April 26, 1918	June 10, 1919	
128	Victory	Benito	May 27, 1920	June 2, 1920	June 15, 1922	
129	Shellmouth	Shellmouth	Sept. 24, 1920	Oct. 28, 1920	June 15, 1922	Charter surrendered June 6, 1945.
130	Fort Garry	Winnipeg	Dec. 1, 1920	Dec. 6, 1920	June 15, 1922	
131	Kildonan	East Kildonan	Dec. 10, 1920	Dec. 16, 1920	June 15, 1922	
132	Sprague	Sprague	Dec. 10, 1920	Jan. 17, 1921	June 15, 1922	
133	McCreary	McCreary	Feb. 19, 1921	Mar. 31, 1921	June 14, 1922	
134	Stony Mountain	Stony Mountain	July 25, 1921	Aug. 4, 1921	June 14, 1922	
135	Concord	Myrtle	Sept. 1, 1921	Oct. 8, 1921	June 14, 1922	Amalgamated with Shiloh Lodge No. 70, Dec. 8, 1938.
136	Capitol	Winnipeg	Nov. 1, 1921	Nov. 4, 1921	June 14, 1922	
137	Lord Selkirk	Winnipeg	Nov. 14, 1921	Nov. 18, 1921	June 14, 1922	
138	Windsor	St. Vital	Mar. 2, 1922	Mar. 28, 1922	June 11, 1923	
139	Beaver	Winnipeg	May 10, 1922	May 11, 1922	June 11, 1923	
140	Meridian	Winnipeg	Sept. 28, 1922	Oct. 19, 1922	June 11, 1923	
141	Tuscan	Winnipeg	May 9, 1923	May 11, 1923	June 11, 1924	
142	Harmony	Cardale	May 14, 1923	June 8, 1923	June 11, 1924	
143	Mt. Sinai	Winnipeg	June 15, 1923	July 5, 1923	June 11, 1924	
144	Fort Osborne	Winnipeg	Dec. 18, 1923	Dec. 19, 1923	June 11, 1924	
145	Sturgeon Creek	Sturgeon Creek	Jan. 3, 1924	Jan. 7, 1924	June 11, 1924	
146	Fidelity	Winnipeg	Feb. 29, 1924	Feb. 29, 1924	June 10, 1925	
147	Jubilee	Bowsman	Dec. 16, 1924	Feb. 13, 1925	June 9, 1926	
148	Seven Oaks	West Kildonan	May 12, 1925	May 15, 1925	June 9, 1926	
149	Waskada	Waskada	July 3, 1926	July 26, 1926	June 5, 1927	Amalgamated with Deloraine Lodge No. 40, June 9, 1938.
150	Cartwright	Cartwright	July 6, 1926	Aug. 5, 1926	June 5, 1927	
151	The Dormer	East Kildonan	Dec. 14, 1926	Dec. 15, 1926	June 5, 1927	
152	Foxwarren	Foxwarren	June 24, 1929	Aug. 8, 1929	June 12, 1930	
153	Flin Flon	Flin Flon	June 24, 1929	Oct. 16, 1929	June 12, 1930	

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154	Pine Falls	Pine Falls	Mar. 1, 1930	Mar. 20, 1930	June 11, 1931	
155	Carman	Carman	Sept. 6, 1933	Sept. 7, 1933	June 13, 1934	
156	Manitouwapa	Moosehorn	Mar. 1, 1939	May 12, 1939	June 5, 1940	
157	Rice Lake	Bissett	May 13, 1947	July 5, 1947	June 2, 1948	
158	Fenwick	Brandon	Oct. 1, 1947	Oct. 24, 1947	June 2, 1948	
159	Newdale	Newdale	Dec. 1, 1947	Dec. 4, 1947	June 2, 1948	
160	Starbuck	Starbuck	Feb. 20, 1950	Aug. 16, 1950	June 14, 1951	
161	Fort Prince of Wales	Churchill	Mar. 20, 1950	Sept. 27, 1950	June 14, 1951	
162	Ashlar	Norwood	May 8, 1950	Sept. 22, 1950	June 14, 1951	
163	Charleswood	Charleswood	June 20, 1950	Sept. 20, 1950	June 14, 1951	
164	Harry Woods	Lundar	Jan. 9, 1952	Jan. 11, 1952	June 4, 1952	
165	Friendship	Fort Garry	April 1, 1952	April 3, 1952	June 3, 1953	
166	Woodworth	Kenton	April 1, 1952	May 6, 1952	June 3, 1953	
167	Menorah	Winnipeg	Jan. 19, 1954	Jan. 20, 1954	June 2, 1954	

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE

HUGH M. KERR
Chairman

The following reviews cover
all Grand Lodge Proceedings received
to June 1st, 1954

ALBERTA, Grand Master, 1953

MEMBERSHIP

We have a great Province, rich in fertile soil and abundant in mineral and petroleum resources; our population is rapidly increasing and we have a great problem assimilating the newcomers, helping them to be happy amongst us. Many of them are Freemasons and we should go out of our way to make them feel welcome, once we are satisfied of their belonging. Other new settlers are young and have not yet sought admission to our ranks and this is where our good example will have a lasting impression if we try to practice outside of the Lodge the great moral precepts which are ever inculcated within it, letting them see that having been admitted we are as men set apart and dedicated to the service of God and the good of mankind. In other words if we let the world see how Freemasons love one another and what a deep personal interest they have in the rest of mankind, being kind and helpful at home, enthusiastic and zealous in all matters pertaining to the good of the community, we will attract good men to our brotherhood and thus build up good loyal citizens as a substantial bulwark against the "isms" and subversive ideologies which have become rampart in this beloved country of ours of late. To me it is a gratifying thing that we have on the North American continent approximately three and one-half million Freemasons who have indicated a general desire for knowledge and a sincere wish to become more extensively serviceable to their fellow creatures, without any thought of mercenary or other unworthy motives. I think it must be a comforting thought to many of our statesmen to know that they have a stabilizing force to prevent the ship of state from being wrecked.

GRAND LODGE OF MANITOBA

Last week I was privileged to attend the Seventy-Eighth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, which was clouded by the inability of the Grand Master-elect, R.W. Bro. Harry H. Gray, to be present for installation through illness, he being hospitalized for a month or six weeks through a coronary attack which occurred one week before. He had laid plans on the trestle-board of the greater part of his year of office and it was nice to see how the P.G.M.'s and Officers have rallied to try and carry them out.

The highlights in addition to the address by the M.W. Grand Master were addresses from the Grand Chaplain, R.W. Bro. H. L. Newton; Bro. Rev. Dr. W. G. Martin, who spoke at the lunch tendered to guests and brethren from outside the Winnipeg area by the Lodges located in Winnipeg; M.W. Bro. William Douglas, who gave another of his thrilling talks on Manitoba history, which chiefly consisted of the personal diary of Capt. J. Rogers of a trip from Brandon House to a hunting camp in a blizzard in the depth of winter in the year 1816 and of the teeming thousands of buffalo which roamed the prairie at that time. Capt. Rogers was one of the victims in the Seven Oaks massacre. M.W. Bro. Douglas wrote a history of the first 75 years of the existence of Grand Lodge of Manitoba and I can highly recommend it for good reading.

During the year I have endeavored to impress upon the brethren their duty to make a practical application of the moral and spiritual principles of Freemasonry both inside the Lodge and through example for the benefit of all mankind.

We are beset by so many and so great dangers and by wars and rumors of wars; humanity is in a mental dread of becoming involved in war and our nation is taking part in a project for the defence of the principles of the United Nations. Immense sums of money are being spent on guns, planes, tanks and battleships and the blood of our youth is being shed once more in a cause against might as opposed to right and we honor those who are carrying the torch of freedom high. The great hope of peace lies however in the practice of the high Masonic ideals of brotherly love which will embrace all men of all races and nationalities with the idea of establishing universal brotherhood among men.

It has been my object to remind the brethren of their duty to practice outside of the Lodge the great moral principles which are ever inculcated within it, and to realize that there is no place in Freemasonry for idleness because there is always something to do. I will close with a poem from the pen of one of our immortal poets who was also a Freemason by the name of Goethe:

"Lose this day loitering, 'twill be the same story
Tomorrow, and the more dilatory.
Thus indecision brings its own delays,
And days are lost tormenting over days.
Are you earnest? Seize this very minute;
What can you do, or dream you can, begin it.
Boldness hath genius, power and magic in it;
Only engage, then the mind grows heated,
Begin, and then the work will be completed."

COLORADO, Grand Master, 1952.

CLANDESTINE MASONRY

In 1949, a court action was instituted by the then Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother S. Stuart Krebs, to restrain a group of so-called Masons from operating under the title "Ivanhoe Grand Lodge, A.F. & A.M.". Through the able services of Brother Clarence L. Bartholic, we received a favorable decision in the District Court. The defendants then took an appeal to the Supreme Court. During this month, the decision of the lower court was reversed on a technicality which still protects our right to renew the ligation if we deem it advisable. I leave to my successor the decision as to what further steps, if any, should be taken. Our deep appreciation is extended to Brother Bartholic for his devoted and untiring efforts in the conduct of this case.

Such is the record of the past year. We recount it only that we may gain a better understanding of the needs of the hour and inspiration for the days ahead. What is our ultimate objective here and in our lodges? In his "Republic," Plato is asked, "Will the heavenly city ever be realized on earth?" Plato's reply should never be forgotten by Masons. "We must turn our eyes up to behold the eternal archetype and then down to observe and influence the affairs of men."

This is indeed our task. We are apt to overlook its urgency. Let us consider what would happen if for one or two generations, we failed to transmit the teachings of the ages to our children and our children's children. In the closing days of the Roman Empire, under pressure from without and trouble from within, fathers failed to instruct their sons in the old Roman way, schools were allowed to close, learning was neglected. In two or three generations, the Roman world passed into the Dark Ages.

We may well ask what would happen to this body if, each year, our subordinate lodges did not send out a new group of enlightened and far-seeing Masons to take the place of those whose term has ended. Only about one-fifth of the voting members of this Grand Lodge were voting members at the Annual Communication in 1949, just three years ago.

And so we come together here and assemble in our lodges to gain a clearer picture of the eternal archetype, to light again the torch of faith, to catch again the vision that makes for strength and brotherhood, in order that out of our lodges will come a continuous stream of worthy successors to our Patrons and Grand Masters of old to give permanency to this Grand Lodge, to keep strong the foundations of our ceremony, and to help carry the torch of freedom throughout the world.

OTHER THINGS TO CONSIDER!

Perhaps, too we might do well to protect our members from the blandishments of the "appendant" and other bodies and require members to refrain from joining them until, at least, they have had a reasonable time to assimilate their lectures and prove their proficiency in our Masonic Lore. As it is, entirely too many of our members join our Lodges only with the objective of hastening to become enrolled in other organizations that require membership in Masonry as a prerequisite to membership in theirs. In common with a growing number of Grand Masters, I clearly see that these eighty or more organizations, including fifteen for female relatives of Masons, are bleeding Masonry white, and almost without exception, hold and inculcate doctrines which are opposed to the tenets of Masonry. The Temple our predecessors laid the foundation of and planned so well is being neglected and left to the destructive elements, while it is being surrounded by nondescript structures built on stones taken from our Masonic Foundations, but not built on the plans laid down on our Masonic Trestle Board! In some jurisdictions, many even of the recognized "appendant" bodies are either avowedly, or in practice, Sectarian and even denominational, and we see and hear thousands of Masons led astray with utterly Unmasonic Doctrine. The answer to all this sort of disrupting procedure is, of course, the dissemination of the right KIND of Masonic Information or Education, and as we in Connecticut have not, in the memory of living Masons, had any really decisive Grand Lodge controlled system of Instruction or Education, we not only have just about 45,000 uninstructed Masons, but worse, this lack of systematic Instruction has produced no teachers who are trained to instruct others. We see, as I have seen more than once, a speaker introduced who speaks before some body of our members and, instead of instructing, leads them further astray. I witnessed a flagrant case of this recently and, while I know I hurt some feelings, I make no apology for speaking with what persuasive powers I could command to counteract the damage done. We do not send our children to be instructed by people who cannot read and write themselves. We demand trained instructors. Ask any member of our present

Committee on Education how big a list of really competent "lecturers" and Masonic "Instructors" we can recommend who we are sure will speak truths and not error. Facts and not things of their untrained imagination—and sound fundamental Masonic philosophy and not just BUNK. We have too much Bunk as it is—rather, we need to de-bunk Masonry.

The first thing a Mason should learn is that Masonry is not a religion or a substitute for religion, and that Masons have no right even to inquire as to a candidate's religion, other than his belief in monotheism, and that a Lodge is no substitute for a Church. Masonry is a system of philosophy. A Mason must learn that Masonry is not a society for political parties or for political expressions, either local, state, national or international. And again, the Lodge is not, and must not be allowed to be even suspected as a place where these controversial matters are even discussed.

Again, Masonry does not attempt to unite nations—it unites MEN. Masonry does not attempt to unite religion—it unites MEN. Masonry does not attempt to unite women nor to unite men and women, but to repeat and reiterate, Masonry is the common ground where MEN of every race and nation—where MEN of every sect and creed—where MEN of every shade of religious belief and of every political opinion can meet and be united in one Brotherhood, under one God, and in one natural religion in which they all agree and yet still retain their national and racial characters and their individual religious and political beliefs. Thus, as says the Anderson Constitution of 1717, can we "unite men who otherwise must remain at a perpetual distance."

If men wish to foregather and work for their ideas and convictions with men whose religious and political beliefs coincide closely with their own, there is a wide field for their activities and they conceivably may do much good in the world in proselyting and even fighting for their convictions, either political, religious or both. But a Masonic Lodge is not their proper sphere for such activity. The strength of Masonry is its nonpolitical and nonsectarian character, and anyone who tries to Christianize Masonry, as did Dermot early in the 18th Century, or as many still try to do, no matter with what good intentions, does Masonry a disservice.

Masonry has been and is accused of being a front for political dissention and rebellion. Masonry has been and is accused of being in competition with organized religion. Insofar as these accusations are true—AND THEY ARE

TRUE IN VARYING MEASURE and in various locations—insomuch as Masonry has departed from its straight and narrow path, it invites, as it is getting, in some places, persecution—political and religious. We should give no cause for such criticism or enmity.

There are, by recent census, 236 Christian sects alone, classified and recognized in the United States. Masonry has no remote interest in forming another. We have well organized political parties in our country. They furnish broad enough fields for all political activities. I certainly see no reason for Masonry invading the field of either, but see far-reaching and fundamental reasons, based on past experience and sound common sense today, for NOT doing so. Certainly good Masons are patriotic and certainly all Masons are religious—and always, almost of necessity, have been and are so—and this attitude is one of our Landmarks and is our GREAT STRENGTH

In 1813 at the union of the Ancients and Moderns, a new book of constitutions proclaimed to all the world the non-sectarian character of Masonry in these words: "Let a man's religion or mode of worship be what it may, he is not excluded from the Order PROVIDED he believes in the Glorious Architect of Heaven and Earth and practices the Sacred Duties of Morality." We should recognize our real strength and correct our weaknesses, and go forward and continue to build our Spiritual Structure on the plans laid down for us on our Masonic Trestle Board—and not to be distracted by all sorts of non-Masonic ideas and practices.

ENGLAND, Grand Master, 1953.

The M.W. the Grand Master (Bro. the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Scarborough, K.G., G.C.S.I., G.C.I.E., T.D.): Brethren before we proceed with the business on the Agenda, there is one matter of great importance to the Craft to which I would like to make reference. You, brethren, and indeed the whole of the Craft, will have seen with the greatest satisfaction that on December 5th last, two days after our last Quarterly Communication, His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh was initiated in the Navy Lodge No. 2612. I know, brethren, that you will all follow the future progress of His Royal Highness in the Craft with the closest attention and interest, and that, having in mind the long connection which has existed between the Royal House and the United

Grand Lodge of England, you welcome with enthusiasm this happy continuation of that honored and treasured association. (Loud applause.)

GEORGIA, Grand Master, 1952.

In travelling over the state I have met with uniform courtesy and have been accorded all the honors due this high office. There has been some bitter with the sweet. We still have members who were never Masons in their hearts, those who would violate the laws of Masonry, and of the State and still retain their membership. This they cannot do, hence the necessity for trials and for an Appeals and Grievances Committee. Here may I stress the importance of the investigating committee, also the ballot. At times I think we have been a little too lax. However, Freemasonry has so much to offer our young men that I can understand the reluctance of many to judge too harshly. I have seen the wonderful lessons of Freemasonry prove so beneficial.

With the vast increase in numbers, some 46,000 in the past 10 years, we have been prone to make Masons on the assembly line. To my mind, Freemasonry is strictly individualistic. Assembly line tactics lose that individuality.

My brothers, it has been my observation that we have too many 2 percent, 10 percent and 15 percent Masons. Those who have only gotten that percentage of the deeper inner meaning of the degrees. May I urge you to return to your respective Lodges with the determination to teach the members that the degrees are sublime and should be conferred with beauty, dignity and reverence. Only then will we find that our suspensions will be lowered.

My brethren, I firmly believe, that next to God's Church, Freemasonry is the strongest moral force in America today, but each individual Mason is part and parcel of that force. Someone has said that none of us know the exact role assigned to each of us by the Grand Master of the Universe, but this we do know—that if we fail to play out our part, just that much of God's eternal plan will go undone.

Let me appeal to you, my brothers, to assume your responsibilities as Master Masons and American citizens. In these uncertain times your state and nation need you. Make strong that moral force. Exercise your franchise. Back your public school system. Be on guard against subversive elements and those who would destroy our way of life, be they political, militaristic, or ecclesiastical. My brothers—it may be later than you think.

GEORGIA, Grand Master, 1953.

There are now on the books of the Grand Secretary approximately 90,000 men; many of our Lodges have taken in candidates in large numbers and the proper investigation is not being made as it has been proven that we have taken numbers of men into the fraternity that should never have been permitted to become members. Candidates are being rushed through the first three degrees and into the "appendant Orders" and are not properly instructed in the meaning of the first three degrees. We should always remember that the Blue Lodge is the foundation upon which the fraternity is built and the foundation "should be strongly laid." Solicitation for membership in the "appendant Orders" should not be permitted in the preparation room and I believe that there should be a waiting period of at least six months before a Master Mason can petition for the additional degrees.

Many secretaries having been permitted to wait until after the conferring of degrees before requesting a dispensation for the number of candidates over five are taking advantage of this privilege and are now requesting dispensations for all unusual circumstances after having done the work or performed the act and this practice should be stopped.

The Writing Test in the Entered Apprentice Degree in many sections of the State has developed into "persecution" instead of prosecution and it is my opinion that this section should be conducted by the Master alone. In most States this test has been eliminated.

The Liquor Law continues to give the greatest trouble by its continued disregard. Men in the liquor business are still members of the Order and men are being taken into the fraternity who are engaged in selling beer, wine or liquor at the time of presenting their petitions; some go into the business knowing that it is contrary to Masonic Law and when these men are ordered to trial they are acquitted. Most men think that the Liquor Law was placed on the books during the Prohibition Era but such is not the case. The law has been on the books for many years, and there is a similar law on the books of the majority of the other Grand Jurisdictions.

My brethren, we have a wonderful opportunity as Masons to make the conditions in this State of ours more nearly as we would wish them by carrying into our daily lives the principles that are taught in the several Masonic degrees and not being indifferent and apathetic to the things that are for the best interests of our families, our friends and ourselves.

KANSAS, Grand Master, 1953.

The Masonic Fraternity is composed of men in all walks of life. It has no master head but God, and no wordly allegiance but country. It is free from all orthodox entanglements, and within its ranks there is no bigotry nor creed. It excludes no man of character and holds no brief against those who do not belong to the Order. Its institutions are based upon the Cardinal Virtues and its affairs are conducted upon a high Constitutional plane. It believes every man to be innocent until he is proven guilty and holds its own members more strictly accountable than those who do not wear its insignia.

The Fatherhood of God, the Brotherhood of Man, the Moral Law, and the hope of a Life Eternal; out of this simple faith grows the philosophy which Freemasonry teaches.

The object of Masonry is to aid man in solving the problems of life and in attaining the glorious crown of manhood. Fundamentally, life is a spiritual enterprise. We may be surrounded by every comfort of modern science, we may have intellectual training of the highest order; but if the spirit of our life is wrong, there can never be any real success or happiness for us until our spirit is made right. The highest joys we will ever know and the deepest pains we will ever suffer will always be spiritual experiences. To lose one's sight or hearing is a very great tragedy, but to lose one's faith in life or one's confidence in himself is an even greater disaster.

The truly great possessions of life—those which make up the "abundant life"—are not houses, jewels, luxuries, fine furnishings, and vast estates; rather, they are the spiritual qualities of courage, faith, hope, charity, patience, character, and moral integrity.

These are the teachings of our Order. The mission of Masonry is to build and Masons have been builders from time immemorial. Building is our profession—it always has been, it is now, and ever must be. We are taught to erect a Temple more durable than granite or marble—a Temple composed of living stones—a spiritual building—a house not made with hands—Eternal in the Heavens.

KENTUCKY, Grand Master, 1952.

No greater honor can be conferred upon a Master Mason than to be selected by his Brother Masons to serve as Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, Free and Accepted Masons.

This has been mine for the past year and the time has arrived for me to give an account to the Craft of my stewardship. Had I not learned many years ago to put my trust in God, I might have shrunk from the weighty problems and duties that a Grand Master meets face to face. God being my helper I have done my best to serve the Craft to the best of my ability, always keeping in sight "The Book" the rule and guide of our faith. My mistakes have probably been numerous, but I assure the Craft they were of the Carnal mind that is man and not from my heart and soul.

Masonry was intended to be a blessing to mankind. Have we made it so? Have we served with that fervency and zeal that should actuate all true Masons?

Acts of Charity bring their own reward. A happy smile, a cheerful word or hearty handshake bring a warmth of sunshine, and stir affection of the heart, not only of the recipient, but also the giver.

We pass this way but once. Riches may be made and lost. Man lies down and is forgotten, but the monument of kindly deeds, devoted service and cheerful disposition built in the hearts of men not only lives throughout all time, but is a kindly monument that may be had by the humblest subject.

May it be your pleasure to erect such a monument. May we live to see the day when Masonry will be enshrined in the hearts of all men, and we, as brothers go marching on in an irresistible tide that shall sweep into oblivion all envy and discord. Crowning our lives with the blissful knowledge that we have done our best to make this old war-torn world of ours a better place in which to live, filling our hearts with the tender recollections of the good we have done, and dying with the satisfaction of knowing that we, like Paul of old, have fought a good fight, kept the faith and are only passing on to that land where love is supreme and the noontide of happiness forever shines.

Brethren, my sole concern is that we, as Masons, shall strive to be on the outside with our aprons off, what we profess to be inside with our aprons on.

"Remember, Brethren, you may be the only Bible some people will ever read."

In the words of Bro. Dave Jackson, "God Bless you, my Brother, it means so much to be a Mason."

I'd like to think
When life is done
That I had filled a needed post,
And here and there
I'd paid my fare
With more than idle talk or boast.
That I had taken gifts divine,
The truth of life and manhood fine,
And tried to use them, now and then,
In service to my fellow men.

LOUISIANA, Grand Master, 1953.

How swiftly the sands of the year have run! Every crowded day and many of the nights have been crammed; and, every fellowship occasion with the brethren of this great Grand Jurisdiction has been aflame with lavish demonstration of respect for the office of Grand Master, and with most kindly consideration for the Grand Master himself. I shall ever be grateful for the joys which have been mine.

We, as Americans have much to be grateful for. The Great Creator has heaped upon us; Blessings of Freedom—Blessings of the corn of nourishment,—Wine of refreshment, and the Oil of joy—Blessings of all the Good things in life. With thankful hearts we praise Him who has here in this country enabled us to express our principles and uphold the Freedom and Brotherhood of man.

World conditions continue to be uncertain and confused. At home and abroad the fight by tyrants and pretenders, for power and for men's minds, is being carried on and continues unabated.

We, as Masons, through the ages, have ever championed those things which are good and right in human relations. Through the ages men of courage and of good faith have met the ever recurring challenges of their times and surmounted them. The Masons of this era certainly will not permit the challenges of our generation to go by default. We have labor to perform.

We need have no fear. The fight against oppression, immorality and the forces of evil has been mankind's greatest victory without end, from which righteousness has ever emerged stronger and more resplendent than ever. I have faith that we shall not fail or falter. When the Master of Men trod the earth, He said "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." The dictators of His day nailed Him to the cross. But the eternal verities He brought have overturned every throne, uprooted every dictator of His time. The cycles of truth are sometimes long, but they roll down the centuries with certainty and with power.

MASSACHUSETTS, Grand Master, 1952.

USE OF UNAUTHORIZED CIPHERS FORBIDDEN

I have been informed that some of the candidates, presumably with the knowledge of Lodge officers, are using what is familiarly known as the Morgan exposé of the ritual to aid them in their lecture work. Please take notice, and let it be known as widely as you can, that the use of such a work constitutes a serious Masonic offense. Upon proof of the purchase, sale, transmission or ownership of such a book on the part of a member or candidate, that member will be immediately suspended and the work halted in that candidate's progress; such action to hold until the first subsequent meeting of the Grand Lodge, when more serious penalties will be recommended. The use of any cipher or presentation of Masonic ritual not authorized by this Grand Lodge, or by a Grand Lodge with which we have fraternal relations, is absolutely forbidden.

CANDIDATES' CIPHERS

I have ordered the preparation of individual ciphers of candidates' lectures, which will be available to the candidate while learning the lecture. Each cipher must be returned before he can receive his next degree, or in the case of the third degree, before he can sign the by-laws. In the meantime, ciphers are available for officers only.

CANDIDATE WITHOUT RIGHT TO VISIT ANOTHER LODGE

The question has been presented to me several times as to the right of a candidate to visit another Lodge and see the work on the degree he has taken. Please understand that a candidate has no such right. The right of visitation is for members only, and a candidate does not become a member until he has signed the by-laws.

PAST GRAND MASTERS' DIPLOMAS

It has been the custom of this Grand Lodge for many years to present diplomas to retiring Masters. Section 702 of the Grand Constitutions states that "The Master of any lodge under this jurisdiction, who has faithfully discharged his duties and complied with the laws of the Grand Lodge, shall, at the end of his first year, be presented by the District Deputy Grand Master with a Past Master's Diploma." The diplomas themselves state that the recipient has been ". . . a Light to his Brethren and an Ornament to the Craft. This testimonial of his meritorious services recommends him to the hospitality and protection due to a faithful overseer."

Very evidently the award of these diplomas was to be on the basis of merit, and not just for a year spent in the East. However, it has become automatic. The District Deputy Grand Master has presented the diploma at his official visitation in the fall. I understand that some of my Deputies have presented some of these diplomas with something less than complete enthusiasm. As a matter of fact, they have choked somewhat over even the few polite phrases that the amenities of the occasion compelled them to say. In one case, a Master who learned none of the Third Degree ritual, but had someone else do the work on that degree, was given a diploma. It would seem, therefore, that there should be some set of standards to determine a Master's right to a diploma. Such a set of standards is being prepared and will be sent to you Masters at the beginning of the year. With it will go a questionnaire covering the standards, and providing a good yardstick by which to measure the work the Master has done in his year. The Masters will probably find that they are responsible for things which they have considered the responsibility of someone else. But in the final analysis, the Master is responsible for just about everything in the Lodge, including the correctness of the Secretary's returns and the complete payment by his Lodge of Grand Lodge dues. These diplomas that have been earned will not be presented to the Masters at the official visitation, which often comes weeks before the Master's term of office expires, but will be presented at the fraternal visit of the Deputies in the winter and spring.

Let me urge upon those of you who are Masters to guard well the work of your Lodge. Especially should you warn degree teams that the work must be done with dignity and decorum. Reports of teams that overstep the bounds of propriety will result in a denial of their right to work in any of our Lodges. The Third Degree is serious business and the Grand Lodge will not tolerate its being turned into a playground for buffoons.

I cannot complete this address at this annual communication without expressing my gratiude to all of you whose cooperation has been indispensable to the success of our work during the past year. Especially I would thank my District Deputy Grand Masters for their work in developing unity and cohesiveness in the Grand Lodge structure. It is as a family that we exist, and as a family that we must work—each for all and all for each.

We must not forget, however, that we are privileged men.

We have scaled heights of knowledge and experience denied to other men. We are those whose eyes are open to the light. We must prove ourselves servants of the light. If we claim membership in an exclusive group, an exclusive nobility, we must hear the ancient words "noblesse oblige," and prove that we have accepted the obligations of nobility. As we demonstrate here today our concern for the less important things in Masonry, let us demonstrate in the world our concern for the more important things in Masonry, the proclamation of the truths inherent in our symbolism and the application of our principles in all of our activities. Because we cannot tolerate a discussion of politics and religion in our Masonic meetings does not mean that we are divorced from them. Freemasonry is no ivory tower in which a man may take refuge from the realities of a struggling world. Rather is it a moral force that through its members can be projected into the world, changing the political climate, and giving a new emphasis to the realities of religion. The race that is going on today is not between Capitalism and

Communism; it is not between totalitarianism and democracy; it is not between education and ignorance, but between brotherhood and destruction. We must live by the principles of brotherhood or face the destruction that our refusal makes imperative. As those committed to brotherhood as a program of life, let us accept the task of making it a reality.

NEBRASKA, Grand Master, 1953.

The philosophy of Freemasonry grew from faith in the Fatherhood of God, the Brotherhood of Man, the Moral Law and the hope of Life Eternal. We proudly recognize the parallel of this philosophy with that shown in the foundation of this nation. Continuity of this philosophy in government is our business. The expressed earnest desire of our new Administration to adhere to these fundamentals was deeply gratifying. So long as we stay close to these teachings our National Government and the Masonic Fraternity can face the future with confidence.

NEW BRUNSWICK, Grand Master, 1952.

All present are conversant with history now in the making —and probably realize how close disaster may be upon our civilization.

One can perhaps, understand the thoughts, or rather the ignorance of certain peoples towards our standard of liberty but to me it is incomprehensible how persons living in our free countries—enjoying all the blessings of freedom—can even think of, let alone work for the destruction of our way of living and would wish to plunge us into chaos, such as appears to be enjoyed, or rather endured, in some other countries.

It is the personal duty of every Mason to ferret out and expose all such people in our country, so that our land may be cleansed of such pestilential beings.

Our Order can only flourish in a peaceful atmosphere—although it has withstood the ravages of time and warfare. Let us seek Peace, but not at the loss of Honor.

I would say just a word about Masonic Funerals, a subject which will be touched upon here today, enough to tell us that we have a duty to perform; one which leaves a very lasting impression upon the bereaved ones in particular. May I just say at this time, let us each make sure this great Fraternity will be held in high esteem by our acts as we remember those who have gone to that undiscovered country from which no traveller returns.

The impressive dignity of our Order has been mentioned and each of us does realize that Masonry has always been considered definitely above the average among the Fraternities and Masonry and Masons have always been favorably commented upon for their outward appearance, with proper dress. We have an outstanding heritage to maintain, progress cannot remain stationary; be sure the part you play causes advancement.

This Order, of which each of us are justly proud has stood the test of time (both fair and otherwise) over a great period of time. Our only endeavor is simply to make good men better and together enjoy that great fellowship as those who want to follow the teachings of Him who gave us "The Golden Rule."

Be very careful, My Brother, before you are party to any change taking place in our Constitution, our By-laws or our Way of Life.

The threats of war are still with us. Greed and avarice, lust and hatred appear to be paramount in the minds of men. The simple doctrine of the Prince of Peace is yet forgotten. I earnestly pray that before another year passes into history that the steading influence of Freemasonry may be firmly implanted upon the consciences of people everywhere; that we, individually and collectively, and united as one great Fraternity for good, may exert a persistent effort to enforce the doctrine of the Brotherhood of Man and the Fatherhood of God, and thereby dispel the thought that Might must triumph over Right.

We must be constantly alert, lest the rich heritage of freedom and democracy be denied us. We must be forever proud of our citizenship in a free land, ever remembering it is our duty as citizens of Canada to exercise our right of Franchise. We must firmly oppose the introduction of any politics into Masonry, but there should be no compunction whatever in the injection of Masonry into politics. All forms of Isms are repugnant to Freemasonry save that of zealous Patriotism and true Canadianism.

In conclusion I must tell you, my year in office as your Grand Master has been most pleasant and enjoyable.

If I have achieved any measure of success, merited any accomplishments whatever, it has been due to the genuine assistance accorded to me in the true spirit of Masonic Brotherhood.

In my Masonic career, I have been guided by this bit of philosophic wisdom—"To be just, upright, sober and industrious, amenable to the law, and to faithfully discharge the duties of office, whether serving the government or affiliated with a private enterprise; together with an everlasting realization that he is a Mason, and that the Order is judged through his personal actions, stamps the man a credit to his Blue Lodge and a desirable citizen of our Great Country."

Such has been my aim and ambition throughout.

Brethren I am deeply grateful to each and all of you, of every rank and distinction in the Grand Jurisdiction of New Brunswick.

May the blessing of Heaven rest upon you and our brethren wherever located. May Brotherly love prevail and every Moral and Social Virtue Cement Us.

NEW BRUNSWICK, Grand Master, 1953.

In addressing the Craft during my visits I have tried to stress a more direct application of the underlying fundamentals of our great institution to our daily lives; to apply these fundamentals to our own acts and thoughts, so that they will reflect the Grace of He who permits us to be called by the name of Christian; I do not feel that we, unthinkingly, are allowing too many opportunities to slip by us whereby these great factors can be more fully expressed—by deed and word—and call upon all the craft to so amend the errors of omission that none can say of us in the future "He had not the greatness of character to carry out principles, he was taught."

GROWTH OF ORDER

I do feel obliged, however at this time to mention the fact that as will be noted in the report of our Grand Secretary that very many petitions for membership are constantly being received and we must be very careful to see that we are only accepting into our membership those who will make Masons—not members.

Other Jurisdictions are now in trouble on this account and now is the time to see to it that our investigation committees are properly instructed and carry out their duties accordingly.

Let me quote for your information the following statement as printed in the proceedings of the 1953 Grand Masters' Conference held in Washington, "In the State of New York we make Master Masons every year, so called, by the thousands and out of our thousands and hundred of thousands of Master Masons in the State of New York there are tens and tens of thousands of them who cannot even get into a Masonic Lodge unless they are vouched for, and yet they go around parading as Master Masons."

Large membership or large lodges should not be our ambition, but to do our part to improve man to the betterment of mankind and have more "Masonic Lodges rather than Lodges of Master Masons."

We do not wish this condition to ever exist in this jurisdiction and we should, therefore, be careful, as pointed out before, and see that no candidate is accepted or advanced too rapidly.

Dispensations have been refused seeking permission to work upon more candidates at the one time, than our Constitution allows and also seeking the right to advance candidates by shortening the stated interval between Degrees.

There are jurisdictions where at least one year must elapse between Degrees and it is now realized that this phase as well as our initiation fee must be carefully examined for possible improvement.

May it never be that we, nor our children or children's children, shall have to tear down our Masonry, to discover once again, treasures which some stupidity of carelessness, or inattention, or fancied improvement, may have lost.

EMBLEMS

I have noted on notices from Lodges that two distinct types of cuts are being used, in the printing thereof. One a square and compass without the letter "G" and a second one with the letter "G" which is not constitutional and I would suggest that necessary changes be made to make all insignia or printing cuts correct within our jurisdiction. Care must be used to see that no error is made as emblems are displayed on new buildings.

NEW ZEALAND, Board of General Purposes, 1952.

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

The Board of General Purposes received, considered and adopted the following report from a Committee set up on the 27th June, 1952:

The Committee set up by the Board at its meeting on 27th June to consider this matter recommends that it be dealt with by including in the Board's Annual Report to Grand Lodge the paragraph following:

The Board is informed that some members of Lodges have attended meetings of this organization. The Craft is not concerned with bodies which do not claim to be Masonic, and do not make Freemasonry a test of participation in their meetings. The Board is satisfied, however, that this organization touches Freemasonry at two points: (1) It restricts membership to Master Masons in good standing, and to certain of their female relatives; (2) It requires that there shall be present at certain of its ceremonies a Freemason in good standing. The Board has no grounds for questioning the good intentions and useful service of this organization; these, however, are beside the point. What is material is that the organization is both one which admits women, and one which, in the way explained, is quasi-Masonic. After long and careful consideration, and after putting itself in communication with the Masonic authorities of the United Grand Lodge of England and the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales, the Board recommends that our attitude should be that of those Grand Lodges, and that we should definately take up the stand that any brother of the Craft who associates himself with this or any similar organization is guilty of Masonic irregularity. As the seriousness of such conduct may not have been realized by Brethren who have hitherto participated in this organization's activities, the Board would be reluctant to take proceedings in respect of past occurrences; but recommends that besides adoption of this report, which will enable representatives of Lodges to report to their lodges the decision of Grand Lodge, a notification be embodied permanently in the Board's collective rulings, in the terms following:

QUASI-MASONIC ORGANIZATIONS ADMITTING WOMEN

Every Freemason is guilty of Masonic irregularity who associates himself with any organization to which women are admitted and which uses as a condition of membership the status of being a Freemason or being related to a Freemason, or is in any other way quasi-Masonic in its character. Such conduct on the part of a member of a Lodge holding under Grand Lodge renders him liable to disciplinary proceedings.

NEW ZEALAND, Grand Master, 1952.

While we glory in the past, let us look to the future and endeavor to prove worthy of our traditions. The future of Freemasonry is in the hands of its present members and will be safe so long as we honestly practice the principles and tenets of our system and take every care to admit only those whom we consider will do likewise. It is not something to be taken off and put on with our Masonic clothing, but should be taken home and used in the family, in business, and in all walks of life. If we have learned the principles, rightly understand them, and honestly put them in practice, our thoughts and actions must react to such an extent that we will be better citizens—humble enough to appreciate another man's views, but steadfast enough to think and do what is right and to encourage others to do the same. The very nature of our unsettled world is a challenge to us to remain steadfast to our traditions and by so doing make a worthwhile contribution to international understanding.

Have you ever given thought as to why our institution has continued to grow and to hold the respect of the world at large? It attracts men of all nations, of all creeds, and of all stations in life. It cannot be on account of the badge we wear, for it is not shown to the outside world. Nor can it be on account of our lodge rooms. If they were all magnificent buildings they would undoubtedly impress the public. But this is not so, and whether it be an imposing building or a bare country hall, our teachings are the same and they are the attraction. Put shortly, the aim of Speculative Freemasonry is to build men and to encourage them to take an interest in their fellow men. Our Order is founded on the Grand Principles of Brotherly Love, Relief, and Truth, and teachings based on such a sure foundation cannot do otherwise than continue to attract men.

The first essential of every Freemason is an unqualified belief in God. That great central truth, the Alpha of Freemasonry, is that God, or by whatever name He is known, lives and governs the world. What wonder, then, that through the long years, an institution, insisting on a belief in God, should command the respect and devotion of those who perceive, as did the Masonic poet Robert Burns, the magnificent idea of the brotherhood of mankind? No other institution teaches this with greater force than does Freemasonry. There is nothing more satisfying than human friendship, and I hope that the Craft will continue to bring men together in friendship and understanding. There is a universal craving in the world today, a deep-seated, urgent longing for genuine brotherhood which will establish goodwill and harmony in our troubled world. What do we mean by brotherhood and what does it involve? It means putting aside the primary thought of self and recognising that others have rights. It requires that we should be humble and not puffed up with pride. Brotherhood stands for tolerance of the opinions of others—mutual regard for each other's rights, mutual desire for each other's welfare, and mutual regret for each other's misfortunes. It requires that we should temper justice with mercy, ever remembering that we are all members of one family whose Father is the Great Architect of the Universe. The tragedy of our day is that men have learned to die together but have not learned to live together. When brotherhood encompasses the earth, then, indeed, will the true spirit of Freemasonry prevail.

In the Final Charge in the First Degree we are told that Benevolence and Charity are truly Masonic ornaments. Charity must not be confused with benevolence, which is the giving of monetary aid to the needy. Freemasonry stands for systematic benevolence or relief. From our first introduction into the Craft the duty and necessity of systematic giving is constantly impressed upon us. The privilege of caring for the distressed brother, the bereaved widow, and the desolate orphan could justly be called the brightest jewel in the Masonic Crown.

Grand as our efforts have been in the building of our benevolent funds, I hope the day may not be too far distant when we shall have homes for the aged Masons where they may spend the sunset of their days in peace. In all seriousness, I make this suggestion to our Board of Benevolence, that they consider the purchase of a house of reasonable size to be used as a home for aged Masons. I am sure that if a home were established in one centre with a competent matron in charge it would be an immediate success, and of such benefit to our older brethren that an extension of the service would be required. Future Boards may give consideration to the establishment of convalescent homes where

Masons and their wives on discharge from hospital may recuperate in pleasant surroundings.

With Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth as its foundation, our institution can never fail; but let me sound a warning.

We all know that there are abroad today dread philosophies and ideologies which are absolutely foreign and repugnant to our teachings. We must be constantly on our guard lest these subversive elements, with their poisonous doctrines, infiltrate our Order. Make no mistake, Brethren if the exponents of these doctrines cannot discredit us from without—and a very serious attempt to do so has been made in England this year—they will endeavor to disrupt us from within. We would do well to remember the words of William Penn, the founder of Pennsylvania, who said "Those people who are not governed by God will be ruled by tyrants."

Not only must we practise all the moral virtues, but we must work. Our teachings exemplify the dignity of labour, for is not "labour the lot of man?" The whole of our ritual has always been and still is referred to as "work." We are proud to acknowledge our descent from the Operative Mason of the past centuries, and we still retain the visible sign of our connection with them in the aprons we wear; for, although we decorate them with ribbons and emblems, almost out of recognition, we should ever remember that their foundation is the leather apron of the worker. Labour is honorable to all men, and the aprons we wear are the outward symbols of our faith in work. No man can be a true Mason if he lives a life of ease by sponging on his fellow men.

As I have already said, Masonry teaches the necessity of practising all the moral virtues, and of these the three principal are Faith, Hope, and Charity. They are the principal rungs of that Ladder which reaches from earth to Heaven, and which connects our lodges with the Grand Lodge above. We should have faith in God, faith in ourselves, faith in our fellow men, and faith in the ultimate happiness of all mankind. At the same time we should have hope in the present and hope in the future. Above all, in order to attain the summit of our profession, we must have that virtue which comprehends the whole—we must have Charity. Shortly put, Charity is service to others. Our duty to our neighbor is to act with him on the square, to render him every kind office which justice or mercy may require; by relieving his necessities and soothing his afflictions; and by doing to him as in similar cases we would wish that he should do to us.

Brethren, let us remember that the glorious position in which Freemasonry stands today in those countries of the world where it has not been suppressed is entirely due to those brethren who have spent their lives in the true Masonic manner. Is it not our privilege, nay, our bounden duty, so to live our lives that we may, for the benefit of the Masonic future, add a Perfect Ashlar to our grand edifice?

NORTH CAROLINA, Grand Master, 1952.

We are conscious of the critical situation which confronts the world today in the conflict between freedom and slavery, God and materialism, democracy and despotism, the American way of life and communism.

With these evils, Masonry cannot afford to compromise. Now, as never before, we should exert our influence to maintain and preserve the rights of free men; to live, to think, and to act for themseves without compulsion from any source, be it political, ecclesiastical or military. For two generations, ambitious, selfish men have tried by might and power to enslave the free people of the world. It is the purpose of Masonry to try to instill in the hearts and minds of men the dignity of the individual, the law of brotherly love, and the equality of every man before God. If this could be accomplished many of the evils which trouble the world today could be eliminated and the peoples of the world live in peace.

My brethren, the State of the Craft in North Carolina is good, *Perhaps too good.* Adversity is what brings out the best in us, not prosperity. "Whom the Lord loveth He chasteneth." While the outlook is most promising, yet we must not sit back in our complacency, assuming that all is well when there may be pitfalls ahead. Under the supervision and watchful care of many loyal and capable Masons, during the years that are gone, have been laid the basic foundations and policies on which our prosperity depends. To them belong the glory. It is for us to so administer and safeguard the affairs of this Grand Lodge that the prosperity which we enjoy may continue and that our posterity may look back upon our efforts, not in condemnation but in commendation.

NORTH DAKOTA, Grand Master, 1953.

It seems futile to try to deliver to the members of this Grand Lodge, within any reasonable period of time, a message which would cover those things which your Grand Master considers important.

In such a message I would want to stress the great need for better informed Masons—better informed on the history, Ancient Landmarks, Ancient Constitutions, jurisprudence, traditions, aims and ritual of our fraternity. Each of those very important component phases of the character of our fraternity might be the basis for a course of study. It would be folly to try to indoctrinate you with even a part of the needed information this morning.

Such a message should also impress upon you the vital importance of the religious character of Freemasonry. It is exceedingly important that Masons develop for themselves, through every means possible, an understanding of the indispensable help that every Mason and every lodge should give to our churches and the furtherance of God's work. Every Mason should be qualified to satisfactorily explain Freemasonry's religious character to the profane, to prospective petitioners, to members who might be faltering in their religious or Masonic faith, and to those who criticize our fraternity, particularly those who assume religious authority for their criticism.

Inspiring of patriotism, that patriotism which includes increased devotion to home and family, neighbors and community, and to state and nation, would be another important phase of such an address.

No man could talk long enough to adequately cover the many phases of Masonry's demands upon its members, and no man could absorb enough of such a discourse if he did stay to listen to all of it.

Your Grand Master tried to touch on those three phases of a Mason's responsibilities in his district meeting address, and felt that he barely mentioned them in his 25-minute effort at the 24 meetings. Since then he has tried to develop individual phases of a Mason's responsibility in the several talks he has prepared for presentation as he has travelled.

Practically every Mason in this room has heard the Grand Master on one or several occasions during the past year. Any message I might offer at this time would only be "more of the same," so we will proceed with the report.

July 13, 1952—Annual family picnic in Riverside park at Walhalla and the tiled meeting on Masonic Lookout Point, overlooking the park and city, attracted over 1,200 for the afternoon religious program and more than 200 Master Masons for the tiled meeting opened by the officers of East Star Lodge No. 55 of Gretna, Man., and closed by the officers of Walhalla Lodge No. 50, always the host lodge for the annual event. M.W. Bro. Fred H. Blythe, Past Grand Master of Manitoba, and your Grand Master spoke on the afternoon program, and M.W. Bro. Charles M. Pollock, our Past Grand Master and deputy in North Dakota for the Supreme Council of the Scottish Rite, was the speaker for the tiled meeting.

OKLAHOMA, Grand Master, 1953.

As your Grand Master I have spoken in Lodge meetings, Lodges of Instruction, District meetings—whenever it was possible—always deeming it to be my duty to bring to the attention of my Brethren this struggle to the death between clashing ideologies; to trace for them as vividly as possible the growth of the American dream of a fair land of equal opportunity where men worship God according to the dictates of their own consciences, believe in the sanctity of the individual human soul, are tolerant, just and imbued with a real spirit of brotherhood. I have felt impelled to warn them of the danger to their country and to Masonry which lies in the evil ideology of Communism. This ideology denies the existence of God, makes a mockery of brotherhood, scorns every idea of the sanctity of the individual, believes that might makes right and teaches that the bigger the lie the better its chance of success.

As Masons we must practice assiduously out of the Lodges those great moral virtues which are inculcated in it. Shoulder to shoulder with the churches we can, through more intensive practice of our principles, stem the decline in public, business and personal morality. We must, as good Masons, support our churches of whatever denomination. We must, as good Masons, be good citizens. Ours is a great heritage. We are in danger of losing it if we do not bring to the struggle something of the high moral purpose and something of the burning passion for freedom which actuated our founding fathers.

The cry of humanity is for peace and good will among men, for the universal practice of those fundamental principles of morality and brotherly love which are the essence of Masonic teaching. Masonry must be strong because it is one of the potent forces for good in this great struggle between contesting ideologies. More and more we realize that Freemasonry is founded upon principles that should govern all mankind, and our success in promoting good will and understanding among all men will materially depend upon the extent to which they are enlightened regarding our aims and desires. We should ever be conscious of those binding obligations that we assume, and let the world know by precept and example, that, if all were imbued with the principles of our Order, this would be a better place wherein to dwell.

Masonry is not a material thing; it is a science of the soul; it is not merely a creed or doctrine, but a universal expression of the Divine Wisdom. We are dedicated to Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth, and there is no doubt in our minds that the freedom of worship that we hold dear and enjoy is the keystone to all freedoms. With the destruction of this freedom, mankind has nothing upon which to cling; civilization would crumble and be destroyed. Masonry does not subscribe to any particular creed or cult. But, it does require that anyone accepted within its precepts must affirm a belief in a Supreme Being. We stand as soldiers in the great Masonic army of the world; we guard with vigilance that priceless heritage passed down to us through the years and which is now in our keeping. Our cause is just. Faith in the ideals and principles of our institution is unwavering.

The spirit of friendship and brotherhood, graciousness, respect and co-operation have been ever present. I regret my inability to ever properly repay you all for your magnificient consideration throughout this past year. Again, let me express my sincere thanks and appreciation for the greatest honor and most distinct privilege which is in your power to confer—that of Most Worshipful Grand Master. I hope that I have fulfilled the confidence that you have placed in me and at least, in a measure, lived up to your expectations.

Thank you, brethren, and may Almighty God bless and watch over you, now and forever more.

ONTARIO, Grand Master, 1953.

I cannot speak with confidence on much, if any, improvement in international affairs. The negotiations for peace still continue without much evident progress in Korea; and there have been sporadic conflicts which still continue in many other parts of a war-weary world. A change of administration in Russia seemed to indicate, for a brief period, a more friendly attitude towards the rest of the world, but a subsequent more vigorous campaign in Indo-China soon demonstrated an increase, rather than a diminution of communistic propaganda and aggression. The future does not show immediate brightness, but there is hope that, through patience, and continued perseverence in adherence to just and upright ideals, these countries, just emerging from the "kindergarten" of democratic experimentation, may eventually learn the value of collective bargaining and co-operation, and thus relieve world tension.

We were encouraged when a belated agreement was reached on the exchange of prisoners of war in Korea; but almost two years of negotations served to emphasize the tremendous difference in psychology and philosophy between Asiatic and other Eastern peoples, and those of the so-called Western Civilization. Perhaps we should rejoice over the acceptance of the principle of individual choice as applied to the exchange of prisoners, and hope that this may encourage its future application to other problems in international relations.

However, these prolonged discussions, and the bitter prosecution of hostilities before terms for an armistice can be consummated, do not offer much hope that a Peace Treaty, which will satisfactorily terminate the distressful situation in Korea, will be signed in the immediate future.

The peoples of the world are slowly learning that the spirit of "live and let live" must prevail, and that, with increased education and enlightenment, the underprivileged and undeveloped countries must no longer suffer from selfish and coersive exploitation. Surely it should be possible for the great nations of the world to relinquish some of their national pride, prestige and prejudice in the interests of the peaceful pursuits of mankind.

In national, provincial and local development there is much concern over the alleged disappearance of so-called basic values, in the increase of juvenile delinquency, in the apparent lack of attention to moral and ethical standards and in the neglect and flouting of religious and spiritual tenets and principles. Along with many others I have been pessimistic about the future of civilization, but I believe there are grounds for hope. Changes have come and will continue and we must accept them, but we must attempt to direct them along proper lines to insure advancement.

My experience has been that, beneath the seeming superficial frivolity of the youth of to-day, there is a fundamental seriousness and a desire for improvement in social and political practices. They are seeking a firm foundation on which their lives may be built, and they are not convinced that old standards are sound. Modern youth hate hypocrisy and are inclined to consider that the immediate past generation have been inclined to foster this attitude. Perhaps they have a point!

There has always been a percentage of mankind which has frequently failed to confirm its expressed ideals and resolutions through practical application. Two great wars and their subsequent confusion have fostered an inadvisable leniency in the enforcement of laws and regulations and a departure from moral obligations. Great material, industrial and financial progress, together with a tremendous increase in the zest to obtain the necessities, luxuries and pleasures of life amidst the hustle and bustle of modern business, have encouraged a neglect of the home and its duties and responsibilities. The adoption of a somewhat spurious psychological philosophy which advocates the development of innate qualities and personality without the application of well-tried and well-established disciplinary measures, has encouraged lawlessness and lack of industry, and has tended to establish the erroneous conception that success can be obtained by "short-cuts" and that labour is somewhat undignified. These and many other suggestions will constantly present themselves to thoughtful persons.

The very fact that people, and especially the youth of to-day are recognizing that problems do exist, encourages the hope that solutions will be sought and found. One error which must be avoided is excessive haste. We all like to see things accomplished, and all too frequently decisions are reached prematurely without sufficient reference to historical background. Satisfactory results can never be attained through "piece-meal" efforts. The home, the school and the church must take concerted, co-operative action to re-vitalize and establish more firmly those spiritual, moral and ethical values upon which our democratic civilization has been built and through which social progress has been developed.

We will do well to remember that moral and social advancement is fundamentally an individual responsibility. May I emphasize this maxim by quoting the "Credenda" published by the late Col. Edwin Marshall Hadley of Chicago, a noted lecturer and author who made a considerable contribution to civic, patriotic and fraternal affairs.

> "To preserve one's serenity; to work with calmness amidst the tired and scolding children of humanity, keeping a nice balance between a softness of heart that invites imposition and a hardness of heart that repels confidences; to preserve humility amid honors and a proper pride in adversity; to avoid condescension among those less fortunate and to abstain from servility among those more richly endowed; to live each day joyously, superior to depression from trivialities; to read much; to reflect much; to cultivate the flowers in our disposition and to eradicate the weeds; to say the commonplace word that heals rather than the clever word that rankles; in a word, to justify our existence so that when the last glorious adventure has opened before us our friends may say: 'He really lived and he really died.' "

These words have a familiar ring, and remind us of the definition of an ideal Mason in our Ceremony of Installation. It is a statement of high ideals and resolves which present a challenge in living. However, I feel confident that, if the hundreds of thousands of Masons throughout the world would seriously work at them, much improvement would result, and our ideal of happiness for all mankind would be much closer to attainment.

PENNSYLVANIA. Grand Master, 1952.

Once again the time has come for the R.W. Grand Master to give to the Grand Lodge a report of the activities of your various officers and committees during the past twelve months.

Masonry this year has been celebrating the 200th Anniversary of the entrance of George Washington into the Fraternity. Not only in Pennsylvania, but also throughout the land, Masonic recognition of this supremely important event has been given. Over and over again his pre-eminent place in the Craft has been acknowledged and emphasized. This is as it should be. In loving remembrance of all he accomplished in our national life and in our Fraternity, every true Mason's heart thrills with pride that he, too, was one of us. And all through his written records we find him expressing his unbounded confidence in the brethren during the trying times of the Revolutionary War and the early years of our beloved Republic. Again and again, both he and Benjamin Franklin show us that one of the major unifying influences on which they relied was the brotherhood they found in the Masons from all thirteen colonies. No permanent camp was ever set up during the war without its military lodge. And in the years immediately following the war the unity of the brethren was a decisive factor in bringing the Pilgrim fathers of New England and the Cavaliers of the South into a Union whose symbol is still best represented by the Goddess standing at our Entrance Gateway in New York harbor, holding aloft the torch that proclaims Liberty to all the world.

But brethren, it is not enough to recognize that we have received this magnificent heritage from the past. Those early Masons lived noble lives but they are no longer here to act today. You and I stand in their places. We are the custodians of Masonry and its influence today and the fundamental struggle between good and evil is waged anew in each generation.

Have you ever wondered what is God's purpose for Masonry? Why has He permitted it to live through the centuries? This is a personal question for each one of us. If God has a purpose for Masonry, He has a purpose for each of us as individual Masons.

May I digress for just a moment. Recently, Brother Melvin M. Johnson, the Senior Most Worshipful Past Grand Master of Massachusetts recommended to a group of us that we read again the discourse of the Prince of India before Constantine in Lew Wallace's book "The Prince of India." This was an attempt on the part of the Prince to proclaim the one fundamental religious belief on which all men could unite. This Prince reads to Constantine passages from the Koran of the Moslem—the Kings of the Chinese—the Avesta of the Magians of Persia—the Sutras of the Buddhists—the Veda of the Hindoos and the Bible of the Jew and Christian. He closes with the great question the Lawyer asked of Christ, "Master, which is the great commandment in the law?" And Christ answered, "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul and with all thy mind." And He added—"This is the first and great commandment!" "My Lord," says the Prince to Emperor Constantine, "No man has ever invented nor shall any man ever invent an expression more perfectly definitive of the highest human duty . . . Belief in God." You have heard Brother Johnson proclaim this as the one fundamental and unalterable Landmark of Freemasonry, and it is the one thing that unites Freemasonry the world around. As Masons, must we not agree that the reason we are not really united in the United Nations is because we are attempting to unite with an ideology that simply denies the existence of God and His dominance in the universe.

Well, let us come back to the question of what God has planned for Masonry and for each individual Mason. Are you discouraged as you see the continuing conflict all over the world? Do you wonder what part you can play to accomplish God's purpose in the world?

Think again of another picture, in the Old Testament. Remember when Esther was queen in the Court of Ahasuerus, who was King of the Medes and Persians. She was a Jewess, but the King did not know it. And he was persuaded to issue a decree against the Jews that they should all be killed. And Mordecai, her uncle and guardian, said to her, "Think not that thou shalt escape in the King's house more than all the Jews. For if thou holdest thy peace at this time . . . thou and thy father's house shall be destroyed." And then he asked this age old question of her, "And who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this?"

Brethren, in God's providence Masonry has been preserved for us, and each of us as he looks at his beloved heritage from Washington and the other noble Masons of the past must face the same question "Who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this?" May the God of all Masons—Christian, Jew, Mohammedan, Buddhist—guide, protect and strengthen us to unite around our one common altar in the brotherhood of man which is the only real acknowledgment of His fatherhood.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, Grand Master, 1953.

The task that lies ahead of us is a tremendous one, a task that will require our united efforts in order to bring same to a successful conclusion.

Our detractors are becoming more and more active and more and more vindictive; however, I have no fear whatever that we shall fail in our great mission of planting the seeds of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth in the hearts of our fellowmen so that this planet of ours will eventually become a place where mankind may live together in peace and harmony.

That, my brethren, in brief is the mission of our beloved Fraternity and until, that mission is achieved, we must not cease to labor towards bringing about that much desired and beneficial condition. Remember, brethren, if we fail, then Masonry will be a failure; but I know that if we are united into one solid band of friends and brothers and are actuated by the principles of those three tenets that we shall march on to ultimate success, overcoming all obstacles that may tend to impede our progress.

We have a rough and rugged road before us, a road that will be so rough and rugged in parts that the faint hearted will falter. But my term of office as your Grand Master has taught me that we possess the proper material in our midst that will rise superior to all occasions and surmount all difficulties so that the eventual success of our mission will never be in doubt.

Brethren, my parting message to you is that you should ever bear in mind that you should always strive, with all your hearts, to accomplish this great mission of bringing all men under the prevailing sentiment among mankind—the practice of the Brotherhood of Man under the benign guidance and blessing of the Fatherhood of God.

Do your utmost to achieve that end and you will have truly accomplished your duty as true Masons and rendered yourselves worthy of the confidence that was reposed in you.

QUEENSLAND, Board of General Purposes, 1953.

The President: In moving the adoption of Clause (d), I might mention that this matter has been handled by the Board for over two years. We have now reached finality in respect to music, particularly for Lodges in the country that have no organist, and perhaps no organ. I have arranged with the Grand Organist to have the discs here tonight, and he can play them later for the benefit of the brethren present.

Clause (d) was adopted.

The Grand Organist played the records pertaining to the First Degree referred to in Clause (d) of the Report.

M.W. Grand Master: Brethren, I think you will agree that Lodges with no facilities for music at their degree work would be very pleased to have music such as that. I am somewhat sceptical, however, as to whether they will be able to arrange it as it has been arranged here. If the records are properly handled I am sure they will provide the music that is essential for good degree work. I should like to congratulate the Grand Organist and those responsible for producing the records.

SASKATCHEWAN, Grand Master, 1953.

CHARACTER

Freemasonry is a way of life which calls into play all the forces of life in building that Temple of the soul of which the Temple built by King Solomon is to us a symbol. Its task and program is directed to the development of the soul, or in other words, making the otherwise rough ashlar more perfect. A Mason is a man and a brother whose trust is in God. He meets you on the level and acts on the square. Truth is his Compass and he is ever Plumb. He is loyal to his Order and whatever his station, he is Master of himself.

In building that Temple of Brotherhood character is vital. Character does not come cheap; nature has few bargain counters and this appears to be true especially in the realm of morals. Everyone knows it requires little energy to slide down hill, or drift unconsciously, but climbing "winding stairs" tests every muscle and faculty. "Character is what a man is in the dark." Character is like a foundation to a house—that part which is below the surface and which gives the house strength and stability. Character is what man really is, while one's reputation is what others believe him to be.

Men everywhere respect and admire noble character. Character is difficult to define. It is an elemental factor of life and is what God knows us to be. You cannot build character and courage by taking away man's initiative and independence. There is the story of Sir Harry Lauder who as a boy worked in the coal pits in his beloved Scotland. He possessed a fine voice and in due time became a talented entertainer and singer of humorous songs. A few years later he was Knighted by King George because of the rugged grandeur of his character. Amid all the temptations connected with the music hall, he clung to the simple virtues taught him in his youth; he kept himself pure; he was sober and thrifty; he always observed the Sabbath and maintained his faith in God. His whole life is a shining example of sterling Character.

Life's one task is the making of manhood. The world is our College; events are our teachers, but Character is the Diploma God gives man.

We cannot all play a winning game;
    Someone is sure to lose;
But we can play so that our name,
    No one will dare accuse.
And when the Master Referee scores against our name;
    It will not be whether we've lost or won,
But how we played the game.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA, Grand Master, 1953.

On the 18th August, accompanied by the R.W. the Deputy Grand Master, the Grand Wardens and other Grand Officers, I had the privilege of officiating at the Consecration of Keswick Lewis Lodge, No. 185—the fifth lodge founded since I became Grand Master—and the installation its first Master, W. Bro. W. E. Harris, P.G. Std. The zeal and enthusiasm of the brethren of this new lodge argues well for its future. I think that the action of Keswick Lodge in sponsoring a Lewis Lodge is to be commended. Lodges with large membership might, I suggest, give serious consideration to the desirability of forming a Lewis Lodge, which will not only give greater opportunities to a considerable number of their brethrn for Masonic advancement during their younger and more energetic and formative years, but will also lessen the risk that is always attendant on large numbers, that some brethren may miss the warmth of that close fraternal relationship which Freemasonry should give them, and tend to become Freemasons in name only.

Let me now turn to a subject that is calling more and more for the serious attention of thinking men. There is today a continuous upsurge of world-planners who are constantly putting forward schemes for the material welfare of the community. Every plan makes open appeal to sentiment and to selfishness, to the increase of our physical comfort, to the improvement of our material surroundings, to the establishment of our financial security and perpetual freedom from want. Man is beginning to feel that the world's griefs are all of economic origin. "The spirit of man craves a friendly God and they give him economics." He asks for immortality, and they offer "social security." Are we not ceasing to think of birth and death, of the infinite, of God, and the sublime secrets of the universe. It has been well said that "the astonishing and least comprehensible thing about man is his range of vision his gaze into the infinite distance; his lonely passion for ideas and ideals, far removed from his material surroundings and animal activities, and in no way suggested by them; yet for which, such is his affection, he is willing to endure toils and privations, to sacrifice pleasures, to disdain griefs and frustrations; and for which, rating them in value above his own life, he will stand till he dies, with the profound conviction he entertains that if nothing be worth dying for nothing is worth living for." Brethren, if there is one thing our great Order teaches, it is that we are not to look for Paradise on this earth. We are but passing through it, and the incentives of material prosperity and social security are poor substitutes for the divine future to which we Masons look in the Grand Lodge above with the G.A.O.T.U. For what shall it profit a man if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?

SOUTH CAROLINA, Grand Master, 1953.

While I did not announce any particular theme for my administration nor any specific objectives, there has been uppermost in my mind the familiar term "*More Light.*"

"More Light!" How many times we have heard these words in our lodges—and yet, I have often wondered if we, the Masons in South Carolina, have ever fully realized just what they mean. It is my considered opinion that we have not.

Far too many of us, I fear, have been under the mistaken impression that the instruction given to the candidate by the Master or other Presiding Officer, immediately after these words are used, and the lecture that follows, are all that is necessary. When we have done this in accordance with our ritual we seem to feel that our duty in this connection has been discharged. Have we not at that point, pulled aside the veil and revealed to the candidate, who seeks to become one of us, our most treasured secrets? Surely then, you may say, we have complied with the candidate's request for "More Light." In part, yes—and perhaps, for the moment, you may have satisfied his innate desire for more knowledge. Actually, however, when we give serious thought to the matter, we have to admit that, at best, we have but scratched the surface.

By "light" we mean knowledge, learning, wisdom in the ancient art of Freemasonry. "More Light" is not something that comes automatically. It is not easily attained. It is not a goal to be reached without exertion. Rather, it is a continuing search—and a never ending quest—with the precious stones of truth embedded in the mine of Masonry as the rich reward of our long and laborious endeavors. It is generally conceded that the man who possesses the greatest knowledge of his business or profession is the one most likely to succeed. By the same token, the Mason who earnestly and continually seeks "more light" will, most likely, make a success in the practice of the Mystic Art we call Freemasonry and will, thereby, come closest to the realization of what I consider to be our chief objective—the rendering of the greatest possible service to God and to our fellowman. Such a Mason will, by his very profession, be not only willing but anxious to share his increased knowledge with his brethren that they, too, may have "more light."

It has been my experience, since you first honored me with office in the Grand Lodge, that not only the younger brethren but also those who have been Masons for years, are eager for "more light." And I am firmly convinced that we who are in places of responsibility in the Grand Lodge have not done all that can be done to furnish to lodge officers and to the Craft generally, tools with which "to explore the mines of wisdom that lie buried beneath the surface."

We have made a start during the year toward making "More Light" available to the Craft. This has been done primarily through the splendid Instructional Meetings, at both the District and Lodge levels, under the able direction of the Masonic Service Committee and through the pages of "Masonic Light."

It is my earnest hope that what has been done along this line may prove to be a foundation on which future Grand Masters, if they see fit, may build to the end that, in due time, we will have a complete system of Masonic Instruction that will provide "More Light" to all who seek it.

TASMANIA, Grand Master, 1953.

"Studying Freemasonry is like looking at a sunset. Each man who looks is filled with the beauty and wonder of it but the glory is not diminished." For nearly three years I have been studying Masons and Masonry and whilst the one has proved a fascinating mental experience, the other has been full of lively active human interest. Together we have climbed some of the high mountains of Masonry there to gaze on the distant hills, there to reflect on the beauty and wonder of Masonry in all its glory. When at my installation I was elevated to the high and honorable position of Grand Master and I asked for the help and support of my brethren, I little knew how full nor how generously these hopes would be realized, for with your help and support I have seen the beauty and wonder of Masonry expressed in the warm glow of your friendship, the richness of your love, the steadfastness of your faith. Two years ago your expressed faith in me was stronger than mine own. Faith such as this is inspiring, for out of this simple faith there grows by inevitable logic, the philosophy wbich Masonry teaches. The philosophy of Masonry is friendship and Masonry is friendship in action. "Walt Whitman found the basis of all philosophy, all religion in the dear love of man for his comrade, the attraction of friend to friend." Also in Masonic literature it is one perpetual paean of the practice of friendship from earliest time to our own day. Assured as we are of the uplifting influence of Masonry let us not be afraid, each one of us, to cultivate a lofty ideal of our Masonic duty. It has been said that those who live on a mountain not only have a wider view but enjoy a longer day than those who live in a valley. We have but one day to live. What we have to do must be done here and now. Let us therefore not be afraid to live on a mountain in our ideals of Freemasonry and so secure a longer day in which to unite in the grand design of being happy, and communicating happiness to others.

When one task is near its closing stages, even as is mine today, it may be likened to the sunset which comes in the world around us. The transcendant glory of the sunset has been seen by the poet and the ordinary man. Artists like Turner, possessed unusual power by which what he saw was realistically imposed upon canvas. But the glory of it all abides with those who have stayed to look thoughtfully upon it.

And in this hour, as if looking upon a sunset, I see the light upon the higher hills—for these two years have shown me heights of love and loyalty ablaze with the glory of high living and noble service. I have seen Masons and Masonry which remind me of the glory of the higher hills in the bright and glowing sunlight of nature. For, outstanding and sunlit loyalty and service I have witnessed—never to be forgotten. The sunset brings such experiences to mind. Yet even in the sunset glory which nature provides there can be seen shadows, for as the sun dies down the lower levels lose the glory. And in my time as your G.M. I have seen not only the sunlit heights of loyalty and noble service, but unfortunately I have seen some shadows revealing the weaknesses even found among Masons which are in striking contrast to the higher levels of glorious service.

But there is something else to be discovered and pondered upon when sunset brings its glories. For after the sunset comes again the sunrise. I am near the end of a very happy and cheering period of association with you all as your Grand Master, but I do not forget whilst it is sunset for me, it is soon to be a glorious and promising sunrise for my successor. I face the West, he faces the East, and my wish for him is that he will enjoy the warmth of the respect and loyalty and love which Masons have given unto me. And when sunset time arrives in his high Masonic office, may he be privileged to see the glories which can never be diminished.

TEXAS, Grand Master, 1953.

During this year through the media of the Grand Lodge Magazine, the District Deputies and the visits that I had the privilege of making, we attempted to call to the attention of the brethren the value of dignity in Masonry, especially calling to their attention the fact that the only way we can maintain our position as individuals within our community is for each and every member to live his Masonry. By doing this in the true sense the profane would always respect us and, therefore, look to us for leadership in the respective fields of moral, governmental and social activities.

Also, we have attempted to emphasize that it is the responsibility if each individual member to practice his Masonry in his everyday activities. This obligation rests with the officers of this Grand Lodge and the officers of our subordinate lodges in that by maintaining the proper dignity within our activities when at labor and instructing the candidate about Masonry as it applies to him as an individual, we will assist in carrying out and maintaining the standard that we must perpetuate, if we are to do our part as individuals in keeping our free democratic form of government. This can be done only so long as we merit the respect and esteem of the profane.

During the year we observed in some areas that some of the brethren, who were not familiar with the purposes of Masonry, were attempting to project new ideas into our work, to develop new ideas in the conferring of the Degrees, and to present new ideas in the conduct of the business of our lodges. We have called to their attention that if these practices were continued the results would be that we would soon lose sight of the purposes of this great Fraternity of ours, then, in my opinion, we would lose the purpose of our existence.

I pointed out in my message to the brethren in the September issue of the Grand Lodge Magazine.

> "Let us remember the dignity and high ideals of our Fraternity and that it should live in an atmosphere in which it cannot be disturbed by the single passing of a generation. It is too big, my brethren, to allow itself to be swayed one way or the other with the mere coming and going of one generation. Let us be concerned with teaching the dignity of Masonry rather than raising a large number of candidates, remembering that our doors should swing outward as well as inward.
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> "Should our good name be traduced, remember that the good name of Masonry, itself, is in our keeping. Let us adhere to the landmarks and be resolute to protect them from the blighting hand of change and indifferences, and that we may transmit them with scrupulous purity to our successors.
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> "Gratifying indeed to those of us who love and cherish the principles and ancient tradition of Freemasonry, that in the midst of this ultra-progressive age of modern thought and action our Fraternity has withstood the ravishes of time and today holds high the banner of hope for all mankind.
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> "Masonry is an institution, and its usages, customs, laws and ancient regulations are fixed and unalterable. We ring out a challenge that Masonry needs nothing new—that we should raise high the danger signal whenever disturbing symptons appear which tend to destroy our ancient traditions and therefore destroy the dignity of Masonry."

We have on every occasion raised this question that we should ask ourselves, "Why am I a Master Mason?" In attempting to impress upon each of us that we should search our souls to answer accurately and truly that question in the way that we should answer it, to assist us to answer it properly, I have asked that we check ourselves on some of the sublime secrets of life and by those rules of conduct laid down by the great life of Masonry and summed up in the Ten Commandments.

We, as individual Masons and in our group activity, have a great responsibility today in that we should very vigorously take an active part in our government, in our churches, in our schools, and in our homes, so that we can be certain that we hand to the next generation the same freedoms in which we are privileged to live today. That is our responsibility as it was the responsibility of our forefathers.

The reason, in my opinion, that our responsibilities are so great in that respect is the fact that Freemasonry is being attacked from several different fields. One of these is that Communism is taking a very definite stand against the principles for which we stand, and it is a very definite threat to Freemasonry. During this past year, as it has been since 1948, infiltration into our Fraternity has been a real threat. This subversive influence will not be defeated until each of us has taken our place in society, so that the American way of life, as we have known it and as our forefathers knew it, will be continued.

We should store up within ourselves fundamental virtues sufficient to withstand every kind of destructive element that is today tearing down the doors of this nation and all other free nations. We can do the job efficiently and effectively only if we fully understand the dignity of Masonry as well as the purposes and direction in which we are to move forward.

VICTORIA, Grand Master, 1953.

. . . For 1951 was a year of outstanding importance, and as well, of danger. In the world scene, we have watched and participated in the fight for right in Korea, which still, alas, goes on; we have also watched and taken part in the painful but necessary building-up of ever-greater defence forces for the preservation of peace. World peace has been maintained, with the result that we can say today that war is not only not inevitable, it is quite possible it might not occur.

Yet, be that as it may, one of the outstanding and hopeful events in the upheaval and unrest through which the world is passing, is the stability of Freemasonry. It remains quite unaffected by those many evil forces which tend to impact so viciously upon our day-to-day life. In such circumstances, it is a splendid sign to watch the membership in this State mounting and mounting, as more and more citizens wish to join our Craft.

But as quantity grows we must see to it that quality is fully maintained. From all I have seen, it IS so maintained; for wherever I have travelled throughout this State, I have been forcibly struck by the burning desire of all to keep safe our essential and ancient landmarks of faith in God, of the sacredness of the Volume of the Sacred Law, and of our unswerving loyalty and allegiance to Her Majesty the Queen. We need have no fears or anxieties so long as this spirit prevails.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA, Grand Master, 1953.

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

In February, 1929, the Grand Lodge adopted recommendations of the Third Australasian Masonic Conference, reading as follows:

(a) That no Freemason be permitted to attend any meeting of, or be a member of, the Order of the Eastern Star;

(b) that no meeting of the Order of the Eastern Star be permitted in any lodge room.

The Order of the Eastern Star requires that its female members shall be close relatives of Master Masons, and that its male members shall be Master Masons. It is on the basis of its membership qualifications that the prohibition abovementioned was imposed.

This matter has been the subject of earlier pronouncements and lodges were then advised fully.

At this stage I wish only to say that any member of this Jurisdiction who ignores the prohibition is committing a Masonic offence, rendering him liable to expulsion.

CANVASSING FOR INITIATES

There is one other matter I would like to mention. There has been a suspicion that, in some cases, there has been canvassing for initiates. It think it would be on rare occasions, because it violates Masonic principles. I mention it so that brethren will be on their guard so that this pernicious practice will not appear within our ranks.

INITIATION ON NIGHT OF ELECTION

As long ago as 1902, the then Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Dr. Hackett, said:

"It is right to make a reference to the growing usage of Lodges initiating candidates on the night of their election, and I would urge upon the brethren that as far as possible this practice should be discontinued. No doubt instances will arise where it will be of benefit to the Craft, and may avoid individual inconvenience, that candidates should be initiated immediately after election, but it has to be remembered that this practice assumes that every candidate will obtain admission, and in a manner fetters the action of the members of a lodge who may be unwilling to place so great a slight on any candidate as to bring him under the very portals of a lodge only to inform him that the ballot being unfavourable to his application to join he must leave the precincts. This is an unworthy indignity to visit on anybody who desires to join our Order."

Since those early days the Book of Constitutions has been amended to preclude initiation on night of election except by dispensation, but the principles expressed by the late M.W. Bro. Hackett apply today as positively as they did at that time. Hence it should not be assumed that application for dispensation will ensure its issue. There must be express circumstances which render such a departure from the normal both necessary and desirable.

THE CONFERRED RANK OF PAST MASTER

Recently I have had occasion to consider many recommendations for the conferment of the rank of Past Master. I have accepted such recommendations in four cases only. It is my view that the rank of Past Master should be conferred only in the most exceptional circumstances and for services to Freemasonry in general. Unfortunately, some lodges appear to regard it as a convenient means of rewarding brethren for services to their respective lodges. I feel, however, that, if such a reward is intended, it would be more suitable to arrange for the brethren concerned to be qualified for election to the Chair by appointment to the office of Warden. Although this would mean that some officers would be held up temporarily in the normal line of promotion, surely it is a minor sacrifice to make in the interests of the brother concerned. I commend this aspect of the matter to the serious consideration of lodges.

WYOMING, Grand Master, 1953.

Brethren: I shall soon turn over to my successor the gavel of authority and leave written upon the pages of time my efforts in behalf of Masonry in this State. I have no regrets of my acts because I have tried in my humble way to impress upon the brethren that Masonry is something real and belongs to them as well as to me, because "The Great Architect has designed it so." He has drawn my life upon His Trestle Board and given to me the working tools of Masonry, the Three Great Lights—The Holy Writ, Square and Compasses and has directed me to Build.

As Masons we are to build our Masonic Edifice so that it will radiate. It must be adorned with beauty so as to attract worthy men to the Craft.

Masons have ever been men who have sought more light. As we seek and find, let us disperse that light. In the Great Light we are told that we are The Light of the World, we're admonished to let it shine before men that they may see our good works and glorify Him. No man, especially a Brother Mason, has a right to hide his light under a bushel, to keep his light hid from the world. As Masons, we are to remember that we must square our actions by the square of virtue, ever keeping the compasses to circumscribe and keep us in due bounds with all mankind, and ever remembering that we are travelling upon that level of time to a country from whose bourne no traveller returns.

As Masons we have great responsibilities, to our God, to our country and to ourselves. To God to show him our deep reverence by keeping ourselves pure, clean and thereby setting a good example for others. To our country, that we are to work, encourage, obey, keep its laws and promulgate clean government, so that we may keep the liberty and freedom we now possess. To ourselves, that we walk worthy of the name of being a Mason, ever remembering, that we are the "Salt of the Earth" and keeping the Great Light that directs ever before us, then pray with the poet when he wrote:

O Lord God of Hosts
Be with us Yet,
Lest we forget,
Lest we forget.

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